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FOREWORD

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This book may properly be called a supplement to the genealogy JAMES HOOK AND VIRGINIA ELLER by the same author published in 1925. Its purpose is to record new information that came to light in later years and to correct certain errors that crept into the earlier work.

The finding of the maiden name of the wife of Captain James Hook disclosed connections with the Lakin and Lee families, both of which are treated briefly in this book. New facts concerning the activities of Captain James Hook and his children, including a record of the families of his son John and his daughter Sarah, have been added.

The author regrets that, for lack of time, he has been unable to make a full and thorough search of the land and other records of the several counties in Maryland where the early generations of the Hook and connecting families lived. When this is done it is most likely that additional family connections will reveal themselves. It is to be hoped that some member of the family will undertake this interesting if not to say fascinating task.

The writer thanks those who have cooperated in making this book possible. He particularly expresses gratitude for the kindly assistance given by the late Howard L. Leckey of Waynesburg, Pennsylvania whose monumental work on the TENMILE COUNTRY AND ITS PIONEER FAMILIES now running currently in the "Waynesburg (Pennsylvania) Republican" is expected eventually to be available in book form.

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Explanatory - The numeral at the right hand of names is to designate the generation of that person in descent from the first known ancestor whose designation would be 1.

Hooke

HERALDRY.

ARMS—Quarterly, sable and argent, a cross between four escallops, all counterchanged.

CREST—An escallop, sable, between two wings expanded, argent.

MOTTO—Esto quod esse videris.

INTERPRETATION

ARMS—A shield divided by a cross into four parts, the parts being colored alternately sable and argent; that is, black and silver. The cross also quartered and colored alternately silver and black. An escallop shell in each quarter of the field colored alternately silver and black. The cross represents the old knights of St. George. The escallop shell was worn only by those holy men who took part in the crusades or presented themselves before the Shrine of St. James.

CREST—A black scallop shell between two expanded silver wings. The crest savors of the early Vikings who adorned their helmets with bird feathers and horns of animals.

MOTTO—Be what you seem to be.

The simplicity of the Hooke Arms and Crest indicates their great age. The ancient escutcheons were far more simple than modern ones; so much so, in fact, that the age of any Coat of Arms may be judged by its relative simplicity.

THE HOOKE FAMILY IN ENGLAND

PART I

Ref.: Harleian Mss., N. Y. Public Library. Berry County Genealogies. "Scenes of Rural Life in Hampshire by W. W. Capes, Macmillan and Co., Ltd., 1901." Other references as noted.

Robert Ferguson in his book "English Surnames and their place in the Teutonic Family" accredits the origin of the name Hook and similar names to Hoce and Hoking, mythical personages of the Frisian people. These people lived on the sea coast and islands adjacent to what is now Holland and Denmark and were themselves forebears of that early Northman tribe that later conquered England. The Hokings are mentioned in the bards song "Hnaef Ruled the Hokings" and in other poems, some by Beowulf.

Mr. Kemble, referring to these people in the Archaeological Journal says that Hoce is "a really mythical personage, the heros eponymus of the Frisian Tribe, the founder of the Hocings and a progenitor of the imperial race of Charlemagne."

Mark Anthony Lower in his book entitled "English Surnames" associates the name with the sea which has given such surnames as Turbett, Sprat, Hooker, Fisher, Ling and Line.

The "Dictionary of Christian Biography" mentions one Hooc, a priest and abbot, who attested the grant of Oethilied to Ethelburga in 692 A.D., also the questionable grant of Erkenwald to the monastery of Barking in 695 A.D. This is interesting in that it indicates a very early name which in pronunciation is identical with the later "Houch" and "Hooke".

The Domesday Survey of Hampshire lists a manor by the name of "Houch in Ticefelle Hundredo Hantescire" which translated would read "Hook in Titch-field Hundred Hampshire" in which the "oo" in Hook is sounded as in "spook". The whole Domesday reference translated by Henry Moody, Curator of Winchester Museum and great student of the Survey, would read as follows - "Hugh de Port holds Hook and Germanus holds it under him and Norman held it of King Edward. It

was then, as now, assessed at one hide. Here are 1-1/2 ploughlands, 1 demesne and two Villeins and 3 Borderers with one ploughland and one acre of meadow; also woods which furnish one hog. It is worth 25 Solidos." (See pp. 14 and 57 of "Domesday Book as far as it relates to Hampshire by Henry Moody - 1862.")

Hook Manor still exists in the form of a small hamlet in the Parish of Titchfield in Hampshire. From the Domesday Survey onward the name passed through several spellings: Hoke in the 13th century, Houke in the 14th and Hooke thereafter, the pronunciation of the "oo" in Hooke always being sounded as in "spook" or "food". This early pronunciation persists in many places today in England, but in America the "oo" is almost universally sounded as in "brook" or "look".

The English surname of Hooke undoubtedly originated from this old manor. Families living there before surnames were adopted in the 13th century were referred to as so and so living at Houch. Thus Eustace de la Houch reflected the early Norman French designation. Later John at Houk indicated the anglicization of the French "de la". When surnames were adopted it would be expected that families connected in any way with the old manor would adopt it as their own. For instance, one would expect such names as de la Hooke, Atthook, Hooke, Houch, Hoke and Houk to spring from it. This, according to the records, seems to have happened.

Eustace de la Hooke is mentioned in old records as holding lands at Hook (Houch) in Norman times. (Harleian Mss. 1473, f. 82, and 1096.) One Robert de la Hooke whose son Galffridus at Parke, had a dau., Agnes, who m. one Katherington. (Harleian Mss. 154, f. 1731 - Visitation of Hampshire.) No date is given, but the reference undoubtedly is to a very ancient family, judging by the absence of surnames.

A family of Attehooke, sometimes Atthooke, gave to the heralds the following pedigree. "Eustace Hooke lived at at (sic) Hooke in Com. Southton

(Southampton) in time of William the Conqueror as appeareth by evidences of this family." Then follows a male line pedigree beginning with John Attehooke of Hook, Esq., who lived in the time of Henry V (1413-22) and runs thence to William, to Richard, to John, to John, to Richard, to William, to Richard and lastly to Eustace Atthooke. (Harleian Mss. 1544, f. 161^{b} and 1731, also Berry's County Genealogies, Visitations of Hampshire A.D. 1530-1575 and 1622-24.)

The ancient surnames of de la Hooke, Delahook and Atthook, judging by their infrequent appearance in the voluminous records of the English parish registers, almost extinguished themselves late in 16th century. However, the writer has run across all three of these names in the United States in recent times.

The name Hooke is recorded from earliest surname times. One Sir Richard Hooke, Knt., served in Scotland under Edward I (1272-1307). His arms were azure, a fesse between two fleur-de-lis, or. (Vis. York 1584.)

In the reign of Henry VI (1422-1461) William Hooke and John Hooke are mentioned in the "Feet of Fines" records in the Public Record Office.

The name Hoke appears very early in Surrey (1325) and Somerset (1255-6) and one William de Houk was an officer of the law in Yorkshire in 1305. There seems to have been a family of Hook in Yorkshire from earliest times. The tradition is that it derived its name from the hook or bend in the river Ouse near Howden. Thus we learn that "on 26 July 1305, the ship of Simon Kerver of the Hok (Hook) sailed from Kingston-on-Hull." The village of Hook still exists near the apex of the river bend.

One needs but scan the early records of Somerset House in London and parish and county records there and elsewhere to prove to himself how large and widely scattered was the Hooke family of 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th century in England. One finds them in all walks of life from small land holders to gentlemen preferred of kings, including knights, lords, Members of Parliament,

great merchants, mayors and aldermen. One finds them also, many in fact, holding positions of high trust in the English Church, one of whom Henry Hooke was Archdeacon of York (1617-1623). One Robert Hooke was a noted scientist, the inventor of the escapement balance for watches, the discoverer of Hooke's law, the author of the famous Micrographia and runner-up with Sir Christopher Wren with plans for rebuilding London after the great fire of 1666. Nathaniel Hooke was a historian; James Hook a well-known composer and organist; James Clark Hook a painter of note, a Member of the Royal Academy; and Theodore Hook and his brother James novelists of importance. Important families developed in London, Hampshire, Gloucestershire, Bristol and Norwich. Able members also emigrated to Ireland, Scotland and America and established families that have endured to the present time.

During the Cromwellian period and after, the Hookes of Bramshott, Surrey, Buckingham, Middlesex, Kent and Berkshire engaged in paper making on a large scale. For many years they made the water marked paper used in the paper bank note currency issued by the Bank of England. Mills were erected at Flints near Hawarden Castle in North Wales and in Surrey and the south of England. The industry remained in the Hooke family for many years. The mills at Flints were recently in operation under the management of William Pitt and Company, the Pitts being descendants of the Hookes. The mills of South England finally drifted out of the family control, due largely to the extravagant tastes of some of the early family who squandered their estates in ridiculous fashion.

Two basic coats of arms seem to have been granted members of the family. One bearing the escallop shell proves kinship between the South England and Bristol families; the other bearing the fleur-de-lis applies to early members of the Yorkshire family and the family of Guye Hooke of Gloucestershire. The one bearing the escallop shell was almost identical with one granted to one

Sir Richard de Villiers* who attended Edward I to the Holy Land and changed his arms to five escallop shells on a cross of St. George to show that he had made the pilgrimage. The Villiers family descended from the ancient noble house of Villiers, Seigneurs of Lisle Adam in Normandy and came to England with William the Conqueror. They were Lords of the Channel Islands and the similarity of their arms with those of the Hookes suggests that there might have been some family relationship. Moreover, some members of the present family of Hooke in England declare that their Hooke ancestor came from the Island of Jersey off the coast of France. This writer has seen no proof, however.

The "Armorial General, containing a description of the Arms of Des Familles Nobles et Patriciennes De L Europe" 1861 by J. B. Riestap displays one Hooke Coat of Arms in which both the escallop shell and the fleur-de-lis are displayed. It refers to Hooke de L Etang, Normandy. The shield is charged with a cross that divides it into four equal quarters, each quarter displaying an escallop shell alternately colored silver and black on alternate black and silver fields. A gold fleur-de-lis appears in the inter-section of the cross. A motto "D: Signa Fortium" appears below. The same authority records another Hooke shield identical with the above except that it has no fleur-de-lis and no motto. It was borne by Hook of Flanchford, Surrey.

If one can have any faith in the meaning of charges on shields, one could easily come to the conclusion from the Hooke de L Etang arms that the Hookes came, name and all, from Normandy. What is more plausible in this instance is that an early Hooke of some standing was sent from England to Normandy on some mission and added the fleur-de-lis to his shield as a consequence. The fact that an identical shield, minus the flower, is found in Surrey and that it is the same, with slight variation, as the one later confirmed by John Hooke of Bramshott, would indicate that the charge originated in England.

*Walter Clifford Mellor in his book "A Knight's Life in the Days of Chivalry" published by The Greenberg Press, Inc. New York in 1924 - page 225 says Sir Nicholas Villiers.

It is only natural that the Hooke family, prominent for so long in and around London, Bristol, Gloucester and York, should have given its name to many places. The village of Hook (sic) in Yorkshire has already been mentioned. Two villages of Hook (sic) are also found south of London - one in Surrey and the other in Hampshire. In Dorset, a few miles east of Beaminster, is another village of Hooke (sic) located on a small river of the same name. Such names as "Hook Farm", "Hookland Park", "Col-hook Common", "Hook land", "Hook wood", "Hook lane", "Hook meadow" still exist in places where members of the family lived in centuries past.

The English families of Hooke and Hook briefly given immediately hereafter are only a few of the many such families in England that might have been mentioned. To ascertain the connection between them would be a costly if not impossible task.

THE HOOKE FAMILY OF BRAMSHOTT, COUNTY HAMPSHIRE, ENGLAND

Ref. - Harleian Mss. 1473 - f 82, 1096. Scenes of Rural Life in Hampshire by W. W. Capes, McMillan & Co. Ltd. 1901.

In the 15th century - about 1450 - a Richard Hooke of County of Surrey was born who later married the daughter of a family of Eton by the name of Payne. A son of this union was Thomas Hooke of Dunsfold, County Surrey, who married Eden, the daughter of John Alley of Surrey.

Thomas Hooke and Eden his wife had two sons, Henry and Thomas, and very probably another son, William, who lived near London in 1563. Henry Hooke married a daughter of a Mr. Peyton of County Surrey and became the progenitor of the Bramshott Hookes. Thomas was knighted and became Governor of the Poor Knights of Windsor - so-called because he was one of thirteen who were beneficiaries under the will of Henry VIII - and left many descendants.

Henry Hooke had a son John Hooke who became Lord of the Manor of Bramshott in Hampshire. He married Barbara Rowse, daughter of Richard Rowse who descended from John Bramshott, whose pedigree is clear as far back as 1194 A.D. Prior to his marriage to Barbara Rowse, John Hooke was Lord of the Manor of Chiltelee and owner of lands near Kingsley near Ludshott. In October, 1600, he confirmed the family Coat of Arms shown elsewhere in this volume, which has assisted in showing kinship between the many Hooke families of this and later times. John Hooke died in 1613 and a brass memorial in memory of him may still be seen on the chancel wall of the old Bramshott church. His children were eight in number as follows: (See will of John Hooke.)

(1) Henry Hooke, second Lord of Bramshott Manor. He m. Margaret, dau. of Cuthbert Lyne. He d. in 1640. He was a very energetic member of the old Hooke family. He developed a local iron industry, using water power to avoid the laws against use of wood fuel and made a great success of it. It operated for many years and served as an important link in the growth of the steel industry in England. Issue, four children as follows:

(1) John Hooke, b. 1605; d. 1685; m. Grissell, dau. of Sir Francis Clerk (Clarke) of Hitcham, County Bucks. John Hooke was Privy Counsellor to Charles I and High Sheriff in 1649. He held the Manor of Bramshott until his death when his son Henry Hooke the fourth Lord took it over and retained it until 1691 when it passed to John Whitehead.

(2) Henry Hooke, who died 1634. He was a merchant in London.

(3) Francis Hooke, of Chichester, who m. Secunda, dau. of William Shortred and widow of Richard Aleyne. A daughter Mary was three months old in 1634.

(4) Anne Hooke.

(2) Anne Hooke, m. 1604, John Pym, the celebrated Parliamentarian.

(3) Barbara Hooke, m. Edward Falkner.

(4) Jane Hooke, m. 1st, Edward Deering; 2nd, Nicholas Withers.

(5) Mary Hooke.

(6) Francis Hooke, d. in Virginia, 1638. Was a Captain in one of King's Ships and was appointed Commandant of Fort Point Comfort by Governor Harvey of Virginia in 1635. He was one of the Governor's Chief Counsellors. He was granted a large quarter of land in Virginia.

(7-8) Two children, names not known.

Children and descendants of Sir Thomas Hooke - Governor of the Poor Knights of Windsor, four as follows:

(1) Henry Hooke, Archdeacon of York 1617-1623. Of issue: Benjamin Hooke.

(2) Tobias Hooke of London.

(3) Ellen Hooke, m. Thomas Greenfield of Chichester.

(4) Benjamin Hooke, Alderman of Chichester, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Edmund Manning, Alderman of Chichester. Of issue, seven as follows, probably in order given:

(1) Elizabeth Hooke, m. Edward Grenfeld.

(2) Susan.

(3) Mary.

(4) Francis Hooke.

(5) Benjamin Hooke of London.

(6) Edward Hooke, merchant of London, grocer, 1634; m. Margaret, dau. of Roger Rowley of London, clothmaker.

(7) John Hooke, of London, m. Mary, dau. of Robert Proffet of London, a goldsmith, 1626.

(8) Thomas Hooke, M.A., of Pembroke Hall in Cambridge.

HOOKE FAMILY OF BRISTOL, ENGLAND

Ref. - Humphrey Hooke of Bristol and His Family and Descendants in England and America by Frederick W. Todd, 1938. New England Gen. Register - Wills of Humphrey Hooke, Alderman, and his wife Cicily.

There was a prominent Hook family in Bristol, England, in the early part of the 17th century.

Humphrey Hooke, b. in Chichester, England, 1580; d. in Bristol early 1659; m. Cicily, dau. of Thomas Young, b. December 1584; d. autumn 1660. Thomas Young was a merchant and burgess of Bristol and scion of a distinguished family of the same name. By this marriage Humphrey Hooke obtained his freedom of the city, later becoming Alderman and Mayor and a merchant and citizen of great wealth and influence. He was the owner of seven manors in Glouchestershire

and Somersetshire, one called Kingsweston being of unusual wealth and beauty. He was a M.P. from Bristol in both the long and short term parliaments.

Humphrey Hooke's ancestry is not definitely traceable, although it is probable that he descended from Thomas Hooke of Dunsfold whose son, Thomas, was one of the thirteen, designated as Knights of Windsor, who were beneficiaries under the will of Henry VIII.

Frederick W. Todd, late of Boston, Massachusetts, a direct descendant of Alderman Humphrey Hooke, spent much time and effort on piecing together the history of his ancestral Hooke family. His manuscript, a monumental work of 241 pages with 102 additional pages of appendix was published in 1938 by Tuttle, Morehouse and Taylor Co., New Haven, Conn. He was not able to prove conclusively from whom Alderman Hooke descended, but from wills and other records he gleaned the following information.

The will of Robert Hooke of Rendcombe, Gloucester, dated 1575, mentions eight children as follows: (1) Thomas; (2) William; (3) John; (4) Homfrey; (5) Henry; (6) Richard, (7) Roger and (8) Jone. The son Thomas's will, dated 1611, mentions his wife Joan and his brother-in-law John Tawney, also his "Kinsman Robert Hooke, Humphrey's son". The will also mentions "Thomas Hooke my god son and his brother Edward", also his nephew Humphrey Hooke. Joan Tawney Hooke's will mentions her brothers-in-law, John and Henry Hooke (Hoocke), also "Edward Hooke, son of John Hooke of Rendecombe, my bro.-in-law."

From these known facts and his knowledge of the movements of the family, Mr. Todd was able to construct the following probable genealogy:

Robert Hooke of Rendcombe, Gloucester, m. Susan. Will 1575.
Very possible that he was a son of Thomas Hooke of Dunsfold who m. Eden, dau. of John Alley. Eight children mentioned in his will as follows:

(1) Thomas Hooke of Rendcombe m. Joan Tawney. Will 1611.

(2) William Hooke.

(3) John Hooke of Rendcombe, very possibly the John Hooke whom records prove was living in Chichester where Alderman Humphrey Hooke was born, 1580, during the years 1576-1583. If so, his children would have been: (1) Humphrey, referred to in his Uncle Thomas's will as "Nephew Humfrey", later the Alderman of Bristol; (2) Edward Hooke. It is known by the will of the Alderman's wife that he had a brother Edward; (3) Thomas the "god son" in his Uncle Thomas's will; (4) Robert the "kinsman Robert Hooke, Humphrey's son" in Uncle Thomas's will.

(4) Homfrey Hooke.

(5) Henry Hooke.

(6) Richard Hooke.

(7) Roger Hooke.

(8) Jone (Joan Jane) Hooke.

Rendcombe, Gloucester, being so close to Bristol, the perfect step of the generations, so far as dates are concerned, and the comparative rarity of the name Humphrey, gives strong credence to Mr. Todd's deductions.

Humphrey Hooke was one of the prime movers of an association in Bristol to discover "The Northwest Passage". The association financed the expedition under Captain Thomas James who discovered James Bay, spent a winter in the region, returning to Bristol the following summer "with a sorrowful heart" at having failed in his mission.

Another venture of Alderman Hooke in America was in connection with the Agamenticus Land Patent granted originally to Sir Ferdinando Gorges in 1631. The patent was later assigned to Humphrey and his sons Thomas and William Hooke, Giles Elbridge and others, and became the first attempt at colonization of the territory now known as the State of Maine. Humphrey's second son, William Hooke, settled on this land circa. 1632-33; m. Eleanor Norton, widow of Colonel Walter Norton who was killed by the Pequot Indians in 1633; and became the progenitor of one of the prominent Hook families of this country which has endured to the present time.

During the Cromwellian period Alderman Hooke played an important part in saving Bristol from the rebels for which his children were amply honored by a huge grant of land between the Rappahannock Rivers in Virginia when the realm was restored. The grant, however, was not acknowledged by the Governor and Council of Virginia and eventually lapsed.

Issue of Alderman Humphrey and Cicily Hooke:

(1) Thomas Hooke, b. in Bristol, Apr. 28, 1608; d. Sept. 1643; m. 1st Nov. 6, 1626 Mary Burrowes (Burrus); m. 2nd Mary Hele, b. 1617, dau. of Nicholas Hele, Esq., and granddaughter of Sir John Hele of Wembury, Devon, who, upon the death of her husband Thomas Hooke, m. Joseph Jackson by whom she bore a son Joseph Jackson.

Issue of Thomas Hooke and his first wife Mary Burrowes:

(1) Sir Humphrey Hooke, Knt., b. Aug. 6, 1629; d. Oct. 16, 1677; high sheriff of Gloucester, M.P. for Bristol 1661-1678. Married Florence, dau. of Thomas Smith, Esq., b. 1632. Charles II granted to him all the land in Virginia lying between the Potomac and Rappahannock Rivers but he was not permitted by the Virginia authorities to make use of it. Some think his son Thomas went to Virginia to look after this land in 1671 and never returned. Issue: (1) Thomas mentioned in Alderman Humphrey Hooke's will 1658; (2) Florence who m. Isaac Dyener; (3) Humphrey, b. Jan. 14, 1661; who died young; (4) Mary; (5) Martha.

Issue of Thomas Hooke and his second wife Mary Hele:

(1) Dorothy Hooke who m. Robert Aldworth.

(2) Mary Hooke who m. Thomas Scrope.

(3) Sir Thomas Hooke of Flanchford, Surrey, and Tangier Park, Hants., 1st Baronet, b. July 8, 1641; d. July 12, 1712. Educated at Oxford University. Married Elizabeth, dau. of Sir William Thompson, Alderman of London and Governor of the East India Company. Issue: (1) Sir Hele Hooke, High Sheriff of Gloucestershire 1668; (2) Elizabeth; (3) Mary; (4) Ann.

(4) Jane Hooke b. Aug. 4, 1643.

(2) Cicily Hooke, b. May 23, 1609; d. probably before 1620.

(3) Joan Hooke, b. Nov. 18, 1610; died young.

(4) William Hooke, b. Apr. 8, 1612; d. in England July 1652; m. circa. 1635 in Agamenticus (now York, Maine) Eleanor Norton, widow of Lt. Col. Walter Norton who was killed in 1633 by the Pequot Indians, whose maiden name probably was Knight, the sister probably of Robert Knight of Bristol, England. Hooke was one of the grantees with his father and brother Thomas of the Agamenticus Patent, being 12,000 acres located in the southeastern-most tip of what is now the State of Maine, later called New Somersetshire. Captain William Gorges was the first Governor of New Somersetshire 1636-7; William Hooke the second 1638-40, during which time he styled himself "Governor". When his successor, Thomas Gorges, arrived in the summer of 1640 Hooke moved to his new home in Salisbury, Mass., which, according to his letters, offered better chance for religious worship. The Salisbury town records are overflowing with records of William Hooke's descendants. William Hooke was admitted a freeman in the Massachusetts Bay Colony Oct. 12, 1640. He was a Deputy to the General Court of the colony in 1643 and 1647. He returned to Bristol, England, in 1650 with his sons William, aged about 14 and Josiah, aged about 12, leaving his wife and third son Jacob, aged about 10, in Salisbury. He died in Bristol July 1852. No records have been found as to what became of the sons Josiah and Jacob. The son William was married Dec. 17, 1660 in Bristol, England (Registry of St. Stephens Church) to Elizabeth Dyer. The family returned to Salisbury before May 3, 1669. Issue of William Hooke and Elizabeth Dyer as follows:

(1) William Hooke^{3}, b. in Bristol, England, circa. 1662; m. 1st Mary, widow of Robert Pike; m. 2nd, May 17, 1738 at the age of about seventy-five, Sarah Carr, widow. William Hooke^{3} lived in the eastern province (Maine) for some years prior to 1690 according to legal documents drawn by Major Francis Hooke, a barrister, probably a near kin, who came to Agamenticus about 1658-59, probably to represent the interests of Alderman Humphrey Hooke after the death of his son William. Francis married the widow of John Palsgrave whose maiden name was Mary Maverick by whom there was a son Samuel. William Hooke^{3} was admitted to the bar in York Co., Maine, Sept. 14, 1687 (York Co. Records VI 236). Issue by first marriage: (1) Jacob; (2) Josiah; (3) William; (4) Francis; (5) Elizabeth Eaton; (6) Mary Bennett. There was no issue by second marriage.

(2) Florence Hooke, b. in Bristol, Dec. 16, 1663.

(3) Eleanor Hooke.

(4) Humphrey Hooke.

(5) Jacob Hooke.

(6) Martha Hooke.

(7) Josiah, b. 1683; d. young.

(5) Fortune Hooke, b. Aug. 11, 1614; m. probably Mr. Southwood or Mr. Collins, mentioned in her father's will. No marriage records found.

(6) Martha Hooke, b. July 20, 1615; d. 1621.

(7) Mary Hooke, b. Oct. 27, 1616; m. Apr. 30, 1635, Giles Elbridge, merchant of Bristol, widower. Children: (1) Mary b. Nov. 30, 1637; (2) Giles; (3) Cicily.

(8) Elizabeth Hooke, b. Dec. 6, 1617; m. Dec. 30, 1639 Sir Henry Creswick of Bristol, Knt., Lord of the Manor of Hanham Court in Bilton, Gloucestershire. Children: (1) Ann; (2) Elizabeth; (3) Florence; (4) Hester.

(9) John Hooke, b. Dec. 6, 1618; died young.

(10) Cicily Hooke, b. Sept. 3, 1620; m. 1643 Sir Robert Cann of Compton Green, Knt., and Baronet. Children: (1) Sir William Cann; (2) Ann who m. 2nd Sir Dudley North, brother of Lord North by whom there was a son Dudley North, who married Catherine, dau. of Elihu Yale, founder of Yale University.

(11) Humphrey Hooke, b. June 7, 1622; died young.

(12) Martha Hooke, b. Nov. 14, 1624; m. either Mr. Southwood or Mr. Collins mentioned in father's will.

(13) Sarah Hooke, b. Mar. 2, 1626; m. 1st Aug. 11, 1646 Mr. Thomas Richchesonn (Richardson); m. 2nd about 1649, George Hellier, Alderman of Bristol. Children by second marriage: (1) John; (2) Humphrey; (3) Sarah.

HOOKE FAMILY OF SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND

Ref.: Vol. VIII New Haven Colony Hist. Soc.
The Ministry of Taunton by Emery 1853.

William Hooke, a distinguished Puritan clergyman, was born in 1601 in Southampton and died in London March 21, 1678. His arms with slight variations were the same as those of the Bramshott family and his seal identical with that of William Hooke, son of Alderman Humphrey Hooke of Bristol, as old letters from both in the Winthrop papers prove. Certainly, the two were near of kin, if not, indeed, first cousins. Clergyman Hooke married Jane, daughter of Richard and Frances (Cromwell) Whalley, the latter being a sister of the regicide General Edward Whalley and the aunt of Oliver Cromwell.

William Hooke received his B. A. from Trinity College, Oxford, June 28, 1620, and his M. A. May 26, 1623. He was attached to the vicarage of Clatford in Hampshire May 4, 1627 and became the Vicar of Axmouth in Devon July 26, 1632. His Puritan leanings caused him many embarrassments and he came to Boston about 1636 where he was cordially received. In 1637 he interested himself in the settlement of Taunton, Massachusetts, was an original member of the first church there and its first pastor. In 1644 he moved to New Haven where he assumed the duties of teacher and first assistant of John Davenport. Here he remained until 1656 when he was called back to England to become the domestic chaplin of Oliver Cromwell. Later he was appointed the master of Savoy Hospital, which position was lost to him when Charles II ascended the throne. The remainder of his life was one of persecution, which forced him to remain in obscurity, and at times even hiding, for many years. His remains are interred in Bunhill Fields, London, "the sacred spot where bigotry stamped its brand in vain."

An interesting commentary on this family is that it drew away from the established church and became Puritan in belief. Nevertheless, the family as a whole stood together, a fact which served, perhaps, to protect both sides when either was out of sympathy with the government in power. This was so in one recorded case, at least, where one branch of the family interceded with Parliament for rights that had been withdrawn from another branch.

On the whole, the family stood well with Parliament and was treated with consideration by it.

A tablet in memory of William Hooke may be seen in Center Church, New Haven, and literature of that church says that the property known as "Hooke's Lot" at the corner of College and Chapel Streets, New Haven, which Rev. William Hooke gave to the church upon his departure for England in 1656, when offered for sale to the Trustees of the Collegiate School in 1717, was the inducement which caused Yale University to locate in New Haven instead of Wethersfield or Saybrook.

Several of Rev. Hooke's sermons, notably "New England's Tears for Old England's Fears" delivered in the church in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 23, 1640, are cherished possessions of the Library of Harvard University and one or two others in New England. They show the touch of a devout Christian and the learning of a serious scholar.

His children were:

(1) John Hooke, b. 1634; d. in England 1710. Attended Harvard University 1651-1652 returning to England with his mother in 1654. After the restoration he formed an independent church in Basingstoke, south of London, to which he ministered until his death. He is buried at Basingstoke.

(2) Walter Hooke student at Harvard 1652-1654. Returned to England with his mother in 1654. He died a man of great promise in 1671.

(3) A daughter, name not known, who, according to a letter written by her father to Governor Winthrop in 1658, was married.

(4) Ebenezer Hooke, returned to England with his mother in 1654 and was subsequently, (1663) sent back to New England to Governor Winthrop at age of about 20 years and left no further known record.

(5) Elizabeth b. 1645; m. in England.

(6) Mary b. 1647; m. in England.

HOOKE FAMILY OF CAMBERWELL, NEAR LONDON

Data furnished by Edward William Hooke, great grandson of John Hankey Hooke below.

Thomas Hooke, died February 20, 1699; buried in St. Giles Church, Camberwell, County Surrey. No record of his marriage, but a tablet in the church states that his wife and his sons John and Thomas are buried near him. Armorial bearings indicate his kinship to the Bramshott Hookes. His son Thomas married and of issue had a son Thomas born May 10, 1729; died 1815; who married Ann Warner, b. 1728; died 1808. When the "London Times" was started this last named Thomas Hooke, because of his large interests in the paper industry, was invited to be one of the organizers. He declined the

offer as too small an affair for his consideration, but did donate the paper stock for the first few weeks' editions. A copy of the first edition is still in the possession of a descendant. Issue of Thomas and Ann Warner Hooke:

(1) Ann Hooke.

(2) John Hooke, who died young.

(3) Frances Hooke.

(4) Thomas Hooke, who was a major in the King's Army in India and died without issue.

(5) John Hankey Hooke, b. in the Parish of St. Giles, Camberwell, Jan. 1, 1769; d. Dec. 2, 1838; buried in St. Giles Church. He m. Jane Whittaker, b. Apr. 18, 1777; d. July 22, 1855. Issue, eight children, as follows:

(1) John Hooke, b. Sept. 29, 1800; d. Feb. 2, 1882; buried at Great Neston, Cheshire. He was a paper manufacturer in Flintshire and Derbyshire, North Wales. It is said that he taught the first game of cricket ever played in North Wales. The ball, made by himself with the aid of the village cobbler, is still a cherished family memento. He married Elizabeth Linton, b. Jan. 29, 1797; d. Dec. 28, 1875. (See forward for descendants.)

(2) Eliza Hooke, b. 1802; d. 1870.

(3) Thomas Hooke, b. 1804; d. 1825.

(4) Edward Browne Hooke, b. 1806; d. 1874; buried at St. Peter's Church, South Croydon, Surrey. A lawyer of 27 Lincoln Inn Fields. M. Avis Lamont. No issue.

(5) William Henry Hooke, b. 1808; d. 1825.

(6) Frederick Hooke, b. 1810; d. 1826.

(7) Anne Hooke, b. 1811; d. 1886.

(8) Edwin Hooke, b. Oct. 1814; d. about 1889; m. Oct. 19, 1839 Ellen Austin, b. Nov. 26, 1819. He was a captain in the 1st Middlesex London Regiment and for many years chief accountant for London Docks Company. Issue, nine, as follows:

(1) Ellen Maria Hooke, m. Herbert Morrison.

(2) Mary Jane Hooke.

(3) Edwin Hooke, d. unm.

(4) Fanny Hooke.

(5) Thomas Arthur Hooke, d. unm.

(6) Avis Hooke, m. Herbert Foreaux Weiss.

(7) Alice Emma Hooke, m. John Green.

(8) Herbert Octavus Hooke.

(9) Irene Hooke.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HOOKE (SON OF JOHN HANKEY HOOKE) AND ELIZABETH LINTON:

(1) Mary Anne Hooke, b. July 28, 1821; d. Oct. 17, 1913 in Australia; m. Thomas Grice. Issue: Emma (dead) and Thomas living in Melbourne, Australia.

(2) John Hooke, b. Dec. 12, 1822; d. Dec. 27, 1855; m. Mary Philibean Saunders, b. 1824; d. 1869. Paper manufacturer of Flint and Denbighshire, Wales. Buried at Wrexham. Of issue, five sons: (1) William Saunders; (2) John; (3) Thomas; (4) Edward; (5) Edwin. The first four married and had several issue. Edwin died in infancy.

(3) Emma B. Hooke, b. 1824; d. 1834.

(4) Thomas B. Hooke, b. Feb. 15, 1827; d. Dec. 27, 1906; m. Hannah, dau. of Thomas Whittington. Merchant in London. Had issue, several children.

(5) Edward Hooke, b. at Afon Wen, Flintshire, W. Wales, May 8, 1829; d. Apr. 17, 1866; buried at Woodchurch, County Chester. Wholesale paper dealer in Liverpool. M. July 24, 1855, Fanny, youngest dau. of William Pitt of Oxton, b. Feb. 11, 1836; d. in Glasgow, 1903. She m., secondly, William Pritchard in 1867.

Issue:

(1) Edward William Hooke, C.P.A., b. July 10, 1858, at Rose Volle, Oxton, County Chester. Educated at Liverpool College, England. Came to U.S.A. and became American Citizen July 13, 1893. Attended Univ. of N.Y. where he graduated, Dec. 16, 1896. Member of American Society of Certified Public Accountants. M. Eulalia D. Watson (nee Howland), dau. of Edgar Howland of Lake Hill, Ulster Co., N.Y. Issue: Earle Mortimer Hooke, born Apr. 4, 1903, at Lake Hill, N.Y.

(2) Fanny Elizabeth Hooke, b. May 26, 1856; d. July 28, 1914; m. William F. Somerville, actuary of Liverpool, London, and Globe Insurance Company, b. 1859; both buried at Oxton, County Chester. Issue: (1) William Frank Somerville, now residing in Chicago, Ill.; (2) Henry Somerville, sergeant in 13th London Regiment. Killed in action 1915; (3) Jack Somerville, d. at age of 22.

(3) Thomas Edwin Hooke, d. 1872.

(6,7,8) Daughters - Eliza, Jane and Linton.

HOOK FAMILY OF NORWICH, ENGLAND

Ref.: Theodore Hook and His Novels by Myron F. Brightfield, Harvard University Press 1928. Theodore Edward Hook by The Rev. R. H. Dalton Barham, B.A. 1853. Dictionary of National Biography.

There was a family of Hook in England which seems to have dropped the final "e" from the name at an early date. It was established in Norfolkshire in the time of Elizabeth, or before. The counties of York and Derby also had families of Hook in the 17th century. For instance, John Hook of Attercliffe, York, left a will written in 1621. James Hook of Sheffield, Derby, wrote his will in 1670 and mentioned his children: Daniel, Elizabeth, Martha, Mary and Sarah. One Ambrose Hooke (sic) of the parish of Holland in Lincolnshire wrote his will in 1684 and mentioned his wife Dorothy, sons James and Samuel, and his cousin Marke Hooke.

John Hook, a Church of England clergyman, presided over the Norwich Tabernacle for twelve years (1763-1775) immediately after it had been abandoned by John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. He had a son, an only child, James Hook born June 3, 1746 in Norwich; died in Boulogne, France, in 1826. James married Miss Madden, who died in 1795. James Hook was organist at St. John's at Horsleydown and a composer of note. He composed more than 2,000 songs, among which was "Within a Mile O' Edinboro Town". He had two sons as follows:

(1) James Hook, b. June 1772 in London; d. Feb. 5, 1828. Attended Westminster and later received his A.B. and M.A. from Oxford. He married 1797 Anne, the second dau. of Sir Walter Farquhar, Bart., a physician of London and confidential friend of the Prince of Wales. James inherited the talents of his father and mother as did his brother Theodore, but in his judgments was saner, immensely more conventional and less flighty than that famous brother. In youth he showed marked aptitude as an artist. Sir Joshua Reynolds, after seeing some of his sketches, strongly urged that he be trained in an artists school. He also exhibited a talent for music and the drama, but his mother was bent on his following the ministry, which he did, taking Holy Orders in 1796. He was for a time the private chaplain of the Prince and King. In 1825 he became Dean of Worcester.

He wrote two novels "Pen Owen" in 1822 and "Percy Mallory" in 1824, both of which indicated a warm interest in and understanding of the people of his times. His children were: (1) Walter Farquhar Hook b. Mar. 13, 1798 in London; d. Oct. 27, 1875. He m. 1825 Anne Delicia Johnstone b. 1812; d. May 5, 1871; the dau. of John Johnstone, a physician of Birmingham. Walter Farquhar Hook was an eminent Divine, becoming Vicar of Leeds and Dean of Chichester. His writings include the monumental "Lives of the Archbishops of Canterbury". Of issue: a dau. who m. W.R.W. Stephens who wrote and published a two volume life of his father-in-law in 1880.

(2) Theodore Edward Hook, novelist and wit, b. Sept. 22, 1788; d. Aug. 24, 1841. Educated mostly at private schools but attended Harrow and Oxford for short periods. Appointed Accountant General and Treasurer of Mauritius 1813, which position he lost in 1818 when a deficiency was discovered in the accounts of the office, which was later discovered to have been committed by one of his clerks. Edited "John Bull" a weekly Tory newspaper after its establishment in 1820. His writings cover 33 volumes of which the best known are "Sayings and Doings" which appeared in 1824 followed by "Maxwell" 1830, "Love and Pride" 1833, "Gilbert Gurney" 1836, "Gurney Married " in 1838, "Jack Bragg" 1837, "Births, Deats and Marriages" 1839 and "Peregrine Bunce" 1842. From 1836 to 1841 he was editor of The New Monthly Magazine. He was noted for his ready wit and sparkling humor which made all of his novels extremely popular in his time. His powers of improvisation made him a favorite of high society. As such he aroused many jealousies, none more than those of the novelist Thackerary, who, it is said, characterized him in "Vanity Fair" as Mr. Wagg. He is also said to be the Lucian Gay of Disraeli's "Coningsby". He did not marry, but a common-law wife with whom he lived on happiest terms bore him four daughters.

HOOK FAMILY OF GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Visitation of Gloucestershire 1623 - Harleian Mss. 1041, folio 29^{b}, 1543 folio 20^{b}.

This family bore different arms than those of the Hookes of Bramshott. Its arms were Sable (Gules) a fesse between six fleur-de-lis, argent. Its crest was a demi-eagle displayed gules, charged on the crest with a ducal coronet, or. There is some evidence that these arms have represented the Hooke family longer than the one bearing the escallop shell. In both instances, however, the absence of detail which featured the arms of later generations indicate that both date from very early times.

The Gloucestershire family begins with Guye Hooke whose son Richard m. Alice, dau. of William Wyrrall, and had children: (1) William; (2) Richard; (3) Christopher who m. 1st, Alice, dau. of Roger Alway, and 2nd Eleanor, dau. of John Wesford; (4) Thomas; (5) Guy; (6) John.

Christopher Hooke above, by his 1st wife, had: (1) Thomas Hooke who m. Isabell, dau. of T. Hill; (2) William; (3) Richard; (4) Guy; (5) Eleanor; (6) Elizabeth.

Thomas Hooke, son of Guy above had: (1) Edward who m. Margaret, dau. of John Baugh, alderman of Gloster (sic); (2) Elinor who m. William Hill of Newent; (3) Christopher who m. dau. of Mr. Dobbs of Longford and had children: Thomas, Margaret, Joane, Isabell and Anne; (4) Guy; (5) Anne who m. Giles Panceffoot of Newent.

Edward Hooke, son of Thomas and Margaret, was probably he who paid a composition of 17/10/0 for not taking knighthood at the coronation of Charles I in 1625. His children were: (1) Thomas Hooke; (2) Margarita Hooke; (3) Isabella Hooke; (4) Johanna Hooke.

THE THOMAS HOOKE FAMILY

IN AMERICA

PART II

Sources - Maryland records at Baltimore, Annapolis, Upper Marlboro, La Plata, Frederick. Virginia records at Richmond. Library of Congress and Private family records. "James Hook and Virginia Eller" by James W. Hook, 1925.

The family name of Hooke appeared at an early date in America. Francis Hooke, a captain of one of the King's ships was the commandant at Fort Point Comfort in 1635 where he died, unmarried in 1638. William Hooke, second son of the wealthy Alderman Humphrey Hooke of Bristol, England settled at what is now Kittery, Maine before 1635, and became the progenitor of a large American family.* THOMAS HOOKE, the first family of the genealogy, came to Maryland in 1668. His descendants spread south and west and may be found today in almost every state of the Union. Others of the name came before 1700 but this writer has found no records to prove that they have descendants living in America today.

No definite relationship between William Hooke of Kittery, Maine, and THOMAS HOOKE of Providence, Maryland, has been established, although both seem to have descended from common ancestors. Both William and Thomas were popular names in the family in England which, it appears, originally settled in the southern part of England, near London, at the time of the Norman Conquest. The family from which William descended was prominent in the community of Bristol. The family of Thomas, according to one family tradition, was one of small free-holders residing to the west of London in the County of Middlesex, but closely related to the Hooke families in London and Counties Hampshire and Surrey. Another tradition is that Thomas was the son, or at least a near relative of Sir Humphrey Hooke, grandson of the Alderman of Bristol, England, (See Part I) who came to Virginia to look after the huge quarter of land that had been granted to his father

*Reader is referred to the published book "Humphrey Hooke of Bristol (England) and his family and family and descendents in England and America During the Seventeenth Century" by Frederick W. Todd late of Boston, Massachusetts. Tuttle, Morehouse and Taylor Company, New Haven, Connecticut, 1938.

Sir Humphrey Hooke by private parties in 1661, which grant was confirmed by Charles II in 1662. The Governor and Council of Virginia declined to admit the authority of the patentees and seized the patent, whereupon Charles II in August of 1663 commanded them to restore said patent to its rightful owners and aid and assist them in "settling said plantations and receive the rents, issues and profits thereof." The writer has not determined what, ultimately, happened to the grant, but it appears that the opposition of Virginia to it caused a good many settlers to cross the river into Maryland. THOMAS HOOKE may have been one of them. Sir Humphrey Hooke* is known to have had a son Thomas, as he was mentioned in the will of his great grandfather - Alderman Humphrey Hooke of Bristol - but no such son is mentioned in the will of Sir Humphrey or his wife, both of which are on record. This would indicate either that young Thomas died before them or had disappeared and his whereabouts unknown when his parents' wills were written. To this day, however, the tradition persists in widely separated branches of the family that THOMAS HOOK was heir to a large estate in England.

William Hooke who came to Kittery, Maine, to look after the Agamenticus patent of his father, Alderman Humphrey, and the Alderman's brother, Thomas Hooke, of Bristol, England, became one of the early governors of the Maine territory. For a time in later life he lived in Salisbury, Massachusetts, and his descendants are found today in many parts of the United States and Canada. (See Part I)

After 1700 a number of Hooke immigrants found their way to America. One of these was Robert Hooke, b. 1712, who with his wife Jean and son William

*Sir Humphrey Hooke, grandson of Alderman Humphrey Hooke and son of Thomas Hooke was born Aug. 6, 1629. His wife was Florence, dau. of Thomas Smith of Long Ashton, Somersetshire who was born in 1632. The date of the marriage has not been ascertained. The fact, however, that Alderman Hooke in his will dated June 25, 1658 gave 100 pounds to Thomas Hook, son of his grandson Humphrey and directed that it should be paid to him "within one year after my decease" suggests a special consideration for this child since other beneficiaries (grandchildren) were required to wait as much as four years for their portions.

proved their importation on May 22, 1740. They came from northern Ireland at the time of the great Scotch-Irish emigration and landed in Philadelphia. They settled in Augusta, now Rockingham County, Virginia, near Cross Keys where they were patented land in 1741 and became progenitors of a large family whose descendants are now living in all parts of the United States.*

Another American family of Hook descended from William Hook, a soldier of the Revolution from Hampshire County, Virginia, who was born in Gloucestershire, England, in 1759. Still another descended from Rudolph Hook who came to Baltimore, Maryland, from Germany and died in Baltimore 1774-75 leaving a family of four sons and two daughters. Some records indicate that he wrote his name Hok in an early day.

From the middle of the eighteenth century and onward a number of families named Houk, Hok, Hoock and Hoak, later changed to Hook, came to America from Germany and Holland. For the most part they settled in Pennsylvania and Maryland where some descendants still live. Other descendants of these families moved west into Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Missouri.

The emigrants from England and Ireland spelled the name with the final "e" in early records but the latter was gradually dropped by succeeding generations until now only a few families, principally those which descended from Robert, cling to the original spelling. This is to be regretted as the final "e" ties the family to its English and French origin and should be preserved by practically all who can trace their ancestry to the British Isles.

There is little doubt but that the immigrants who came from England descended from common ancestors. There is a striking resemblance, to this day, in the stature, voice and general facial characteristics of the descendants of the three principal English ancestors above mentioned.

*Those interested in this family should consult "Virginia Valley Records" by John W. Wayland, 1930.

The record of any family is so thoroughly intertwined with the history of the community in which it settled and lived, that it is important that some historical facts be restated in order that a family record be understandable and clear. Maryland was the colony that claimed Thomas Hooke, the immigrant ancestor of the American Family of Hook, which this book records.

Maryland was settled for the most part by the same classes of English people as her neighbor Virginia. These were the planters, redemptioners, white servants and black slaves. The planters paid for their passage from England and were granted tracts of land of various sizes depending upon the will of the Lord Proprietor and upon the number of able-bodied settlers that they brought into the colony. The redemptioners were those settlers, usually young unmarried males of good families, who contracted with ship masters or merchants or large planters, for passage to America, agreeing in return to labor on their transporters' plantations until their passage obligations should be discharged. The white servants came from a variety of sources in England. Many of them were the persecuted members of the higher gentry, and from this they graded down to criminals and renegades of the slums that were banished by the English government. The black slaves, as the name implies, were the colored element that was imported from Africa.

The first settlement in Maryland was made by Leonard Calvert, brother of Cecilius the Lord Proprietor, and about two hundred colonists who sailed from Gravesend, England, in two ships, the "Ark" and the "Dove", and arrived in lower Maryland late in March, 1634. The Calverts were Catholic in their religious faith and many of the early settlers were also of that faith. In 1649 a group of persecuted Puritans from Virginia were offered asylum in Maryland by the tolerant Cecilius. They settled on the west shore of Chesapeake Bay at the mouth of the Severn River where they founded the village of Providence, now the city of Annapolis. This settlement was the beginning of a Puritan migration to Maryland that assumed such proportions that by 1690 over seventy-five

percent of the population was of that faith. In 1692, Great Britain's sovereigns, William and Mary, proclaimed the English Church the established religion in the colony. (See "Old Virginia and Her Neighbors" by John Fiske.)

Only two records of a Thomas Hook arriving in the vicinity of Maryland have been found by this writer. One came on the ship "Goulden Wheat Sheaf" of London in April 1668. He was bound to Captain James Connaway, merchant of Ratcliffe, County of Middlesex and master of the "Goulden Wheat Sheaf" until he had paid for his passage. The other came from Bristol, England, to Virginia in September 1671 on the ship "Francis and Mary" and must have been just a lad because of the long period of his indenture which was seven years. Adults usually paid for their passage in from two to four years.

The THOMAS HOOK of the "Goulden Wheat Sheaf" seems to have been transported by Captain Connaway on some special terms. The Captain in August of 1668 declared in documents now in the land office in Annapolis that he had used his rights insofar as Thomas Hooke, John Harris, John Brome and James Dorty were concerned. This record rather fits into an old family tradition which says that the emigrant to the country came with his uncle who was a seafaring man. The fact, too that Thomas named his first son James, the same as Captain Connaway's given name, may have some significance. At the same time, the kinship factor might also fit into the Sir Humphrey Hooke tradition already mentioned, since that person was a great ship owner and merchant and, therefore, probably looked upon by relations in Maryland at that early day as a man of the sea. It is not likely, however, that a son of Sir Humphrey Hooke would come to America as a Redemptioner unless he had run away against his parents will as did occasionally happen. If it did happen it might have been the reason why the son Thomas, known to have been born in Bristol to Sir Humphrey Hooke and his wife Florence was not mentioned in the will of either parent.

Captain Connaway, on July 3, 1668, was granted land mostly on the northern bank of the "Arundel" River directly north of what is now the city of Annapolis. Records of him may be found in Maryland as late as 1692 in which he refers to himself as "of the Parish of Stepney at^{s} Stebunheath in ye county of Middlesex, Mariner," also to land owned by him on the Pascattaway River, about 8 miles from Pisattaway." (Liber S. #1, 1692-94, Charles Co., Md., Land Records, p. 170)

Unfortunately, many old Maryland records were lost or destroyed during the revolution of 1688 when the Capitol of the colony was removed from St. Marys to what is now Annapolis so that much of the personal history of the early settlers is undoubtedly missing. The Archives of Maryland, however, mention THOMAS HOOKE as a taxable freeman in 1677 when he was assessed thirty pounds of tobacco to help pay the expenses of the colonies' expedition against the Nanticote Indians. He was the only person in the colony by the name of Hooke who was assessed. In 1681 he was again assessed by the General Assembly of Maryland for thirty pounds of tobacco to help pay expenses incurred for the "Public Good". At this time there was another Hooke in the colony whose name was on the tax lists. He was Jeremiah Hooke who came to Maryland as an immigrant in June, 1670. This is the Jeremiah Hooke, it is believed,who took part in the rebellion of 1688-9, seized and carried away three sloops that had been left in the custody of John Williams, and forced the House of Burgesses of Virginia, formally, to order their return to the rightful custodian.

Somewhere about 1680, THOMAS HOOKE moved to what is now Prince George County and lived on leased land not far from the present site of Laurel. Here he made his will on September 23d, 1697, and left his property to sons James and Thomas with the provision that both sons remain with their mother, "until they be on and twenty years of Eage". The full text of the will as recorded in Liber I, page 4, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, is as follows:

"The last Will and Testament of Thomas Hooke of Prince George County, Province of Maryland.

"In the name of God Amen, first I bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to the ground and after my funeral charges is paid all my debts yt can be made hinistly apps I bequeath as followeth - My will is that my sonn James Hook and my sunn Thomas Hook shall remain with their mother until they be on and twenty years of Eage and if please God, my wife should dy the shall booth be at Eage and at their own disposing, Itam I give to my sunn James my cow betey and all her female increase and to my sunn Thomas I give my cow Pritey and all her female increase and the rest of my good and Chattele I leave to my wyfs disposing. This is my will in witness whereof I have unto put my hand and Seall this 23rd day of September 1697."

Wittnesses-Henry Dryden
Robert Bigg
Joseph Harrison

Signed Thomas Hook

It is to be said that Thomas signed his will with a mark and that the final "e" was omitted. Earlier records invariably used the final letter and his wife Annaple who signed the administration bond on May 26, 1698, wrote the name Hooke. Undoubtedly the person who wrote the will carelessly omitted the final letter. Succeeding generations, however, almost universally used the simpler spelling.

The inventory of the estate, which listed among other things, a crop of tobacco, three cows and calves, one barron cow, three horses and one yearling, one mare, eight head of hogs, one spinning wheel, one pad, saddle and bridle, money and household utensils, was appraised by Joseph Harrison and James Watts on the 8th of June, 1699, and signed by them. The administrators of the estate were John Wright and "his wife Annaple" and they appeared and swore to the inventory, July 24, 1699. It is quite evident, therefore, that Annaple Hooke married John Wright some time between May 26, 1698, and July 24, 1699.

THOMAS HOOKE, undoubtedly, was an adherent of the English Church from his first appearance in Maryland. While there are no records to prove this, it is known that his son James and his grandchildren James and John were active members in that denomination. The family in England, for the most part, remained

loyal to the established church. Some, however, became militant Puritans and after the fall of the Commonwealth were obliged to seek aid and protection from their loyal kin, who always stood well with Parliament, to avoid persecution.

Thomas Hook, Jr., son of Thomas and Annaple Hook, quickly disappears from the records. The Queen Anne Parish Registers record a Thomas Hook, probably the son of Thomas and Annaple Hook, as subscribing on the 19th day of June 1710, 100 lbs. of tobacco to the vestry of the parish to be "disposed of as they shall think fit". The subscription paper is a masterpiece of verbosity. It reads as follows:

> "We the inhabitants of Queen Anne Parish in Prince Geo. County Maryland having a veneration for the worsᵖᵖ and praise of God wᶜʰ in Heaven is allowed chiefly to consist in the most exquisite Joys & exultations of blessed spirits and in Eternal Halleliyas & Praises to the Infinite & being: And consequently as much as in us lies ought to be Limitated in all the Devout raptures of Elevated minds here on earth as being the only lasting object of our Adoration and praise in the veneration of his most sacred Majᵗᶦᵉ in all the Attributes of his most Incomprehensible wisdom Power and mercy in our Creation Preservation & Inestimable love in our Redemption by our Lord Jesus Christ In order whereto & for the finishing your Parish Church and defraying the charges thereof Wee the subscribers have resolved and agreed according to our abilities and the grateful sense wee have of the blessing wᶜʰ God has conferred upon us to Contribute the several & respective sums of money & tobacco hereunder written And wee the sᵈ severall subscribers hereunto Doe hereby agree and firmly bind & oblige ourselves our heirs Exeʳˢ & Admʳˢ to Pay on demand to the vestry of Queen Anne Parish or to their order the sᵈ severall & respective sums of money & tobacco by us underwritten to be disposed of as they shall think fitt to the use aforesaid. In Wittness whereof wee have set our several hands the 19 day of June 1710."

The subscribers' names were then affixed with the amount of their gifts opposite. Thomas Hook subscribed 100 pounds of tobacco.

JAMES HOOK[2], son of Thomas[1] and Annaple Hooke, was born in what later became Prince George County, Maryland, about 1680 to 1685. He died in the same county in 1738. He married, probably, Margaret Thrasher in 1706, who, it appears, was related to the Lee and Brooke families, but precisely how has not been revealed. James Hook and his family lived in the vicinity

of his parental home until 1714, when, calling himself a planter, he leased 150 acres of land from John Bradford on Hegoe Branch (probably Sligo Branch), located on what is now the northern part of the city of Washington, D. C., near Sligo Mill Road. He was to have and to hold this land "for and during the natural life of him and said James Hook, Margaret his wife and his daughter Mary, and the longest liver of them" paying therefor the yearly rental "of 500 pounds of tobacco in casque, clear of all manner of trash and ground leaves." The lease was dated August 9, 1714. (Deed Book Liber E, page 393, Upper Marlboro, Md.) The fact that Mary Hook was designated along with her parents in the lease would indicate that she was the oldest child living at the time. James and his family were still living upon this lease in 1726 as indicated in the will of John Bradford.

JAMES HOOK[2] was one of the organizers of the Rock Creek Parish of the Church of England, in Maryland. On September 18, 1719, he subscribed 200 pounds of tobacco "toward erecting a Chappel to serve the inhabitants of the Eastern Branch of Rock Creek." He was the seventh largest subscriber, John Bradford being the largest with a subscription of 1,000 pounds of tobacco. Shortly afterwards he was a member of a committee of the parish appointed to select a site for building the chapel. He was elected a Warden of the parish, April 10, 1732 and served for one year. On March 26, 1733 he was chosen Vestryman. George Murdock was the pastor. The parish is still flourishing at Rock Creek Church Road and Webster Street in the City of Washington, D. C. The present church, the main portion of which was built of brick brought as ballast from England in 1775, stands on the same site as the original church near a great white oak tree that still stands. The churchyard now contains 47,000 graves. (See records of Prince George and Rock Creek Parishes on file with Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore.)

In 1727 Benjamin Thrasher (Thresher), probably the father of Margaret Hook, wife of James, recorded a gift to James, son of James Hook, Sr., of a dark bay mare. (Deed Book Liber M, page 174, Upper Marlboro, Md.) The inventory of Benjamin Thresher's estate was signed May 18, 1741 by John Jackson and Ninian Beale. It was also signed by James Lee and Mary Lee as "near relatives" and by John Beale as creditor.

The Administration bond to the estate of JAMES HOOK^2 was signed by Margaret Hook "widow of the deceased" and James Lee, July 3, 1738, and witnessed by Lucy and Isaac Brooke. He left no will. The inventory listing 700 pounds of tobacco, four cows and heifers, four young cattle, four breeding sows, twenty-six young hogs, two horses, one mare and colt, one bull, two rugs and two pair of blankets, one old chest, two old guns, fourteen barrels of flour, a parcel of carpenter's tools, one linen wheel and wooling ditto, one hand mill, spindle and frogg, one parcel of working tools, wearing apparel, feather bed and furniture, pewter utensials, hour glass, marking irons and stilliards, was appraised July 26, 1739 and signed by James Hook^3 and John Hook^3 as creditors and kin, and by John Magruder as creditor. (Records at Upper Marlboro and Annapolis vary slightly.)

CHILDREN OF JAMES^2 AND MARGARET HOOK:

(1) Mary Hook^3, b. Nov. 17, 1708. (Queen Anne Parish Records.) Margaret Hook, m. Thomas Fee, 1733. (Prince George Parish records.) Prob. same as Mary.

(2) Arrabella Hook^3.

(3) Rachel Hook^3, m. Feb. 25, 1731, Robert Owen. (Prince George Parish Records.)

(4) Samuel Hook^3.

(5) James Hook^3, of whom more later.

(6) John Hook^3, of whom more later.

(7) Stephen Hook^3, probably. A Stephen Hook m. Dorothy Barklett in Queen Anne Co. Md. Feb. 6, 1757. (St. Luke's Parish.)

(8) Sarah Hook^3 (probably). It is said she married Abraham Lakin. (See Lakin Family.)

Potomac Hills in 1925 Before Restoration
Maryland Home of the Hook Family.

JAMES HOOK[3], son of James[2] and Margaret Hook and grandson of Thomas Hook[1] was born in Prince George County, Maryland, about 1716, died in lower Frederick County, Maryland, 1802. He was a very energetic son and amassed a large estate. His large holdings in Lower Frederick County were christened Potomac Hills, upon which in 1812-1813 his son James Samuel Hook built the Mansion House that still stands. This fine old southern dwelling was built over the foundations of the earlier mansion on the western slope of Catoctin Mountain overlooking the valley of Catoctin Creek on both sides of which the Hook farms extended for a distance of several miles. On the south, a half mile away, the Potomac River cuts through the Blue Ridge Mountains and flowing turbulently between its curved and wooded banks adds charm to that stretch of scenery that extends itself in unsurpassed loveliness all the way from Point of Rocks Station to historic Harpers Ferry.

The house, of charming proportions, was built of stone from the quarries of the Catoctin Mountains nearby, brick and stucco transported by boat from Virginia and England, and southern pine and cypress hauled by team from the forests of Georgia. The rooms with high ceilings and large windows containing eighteen small panes, the spiral stairways leading into wide airy halls, the fire-places with plain but beautiful mantels, all reflect the true southern atmosphere of an early day. Not far from the mansion house still stands a remnant of the old slave quarters "built of logs once chinked and daubed," with the old stone chimney still standing. On a knoll adjacent to one of the barns is the family burying ground, terribly desecrated by the plow and planter of later generations. The old house is now fast crumbling away and before long will be only a memory. It is presently occupied (1950), however, and the mantels and stairways we have been assured are still in place. The original floor of the old chapel in the basement disappeared long ago exposing the foundation stones of the earlier dwelling house where James Hook[3] was found dead with his bowed head pressed upon his Bible. Another interesting room is

that occupying the entire north wing on the second floor. It was here, in the early part of the last century, that the Masonic Lodge of Lower Frederick County held its meetings.

In 1926 when repairs were being made to the old house a pine board was removed from above the front entrance door, upon which had been written in white chalk the following:

> "Corbin Jacobs, May 25, 1813, he put this work together as well as any man can do at this time present - John Burgess Hook of Daniel."

This inscription definitely establishes the date when the house was under erection.

On the 2nd of December 1769 a petition was presented to the House of Burgesses in Virginia praying for authority to establish a ferry across the Potomac River from the land of Thomas Aubrey on the Virginia side to the land of James Hook on the Maryland side, at a point about one-half mile above the mouth of "Kitackton Creek". The petition was granted on December 5th, 1769.

James Hook[3] referred to in some records as General owned many slaves. He settled in Lower Frederick County in 1740 when for a reason as yet unexplained, John Magruder on August 26th of that year executed a deed of gift to his "good friend James Hook" of "150 acres of land on the mouth of Ketauken Creek" (now called Catoctin Creek) "which falls into the Potomock River about ten miles north of Monocaccy." This deed was witnessed by Turner Woolton. (Deed Book Liber Y, page 195, Prince George County.) At that time Prince George County embraced all that territory which in 1748 became Frederick County. On November 27, 1740, James conveyed to his "loving Brother John Hook" by deed of gift fifty acres of the land given him by John Magruder. This deed was witnessed by Thomas Owen and John Hawkins. These two deeds of gift signalized the arrival of the Hook family in Lower Frederick County, Maryland, where it was prominent for almost a hundred years. In 1780 and again in 1788 two parcels of land, the first called

"Daniel's Diligence" containing 393 acres and the second called "Hook's Conclusion" containing 1,002 acres, were surveyed for James Hook. The latter parcel and twenty-five negroes were willed to his son James Samuel Hook. Other property including the residue of the estate was willed to his three sons - James Samuel Hook, Stephen, and Daniel Hook. The will was dated June 10, 1798, and probated October 12, 1802. (See Will Book Liber GM No. 3, page 537, Frederick County.) The name of the first wife of James Hook[3] is not known, but on February 15, 1768, he married Elizabeth Northcraft by whom there was no known issue. The marriage article recorded in Deed Book Liber K, p. 1225, Frederick County, reads as follows:

> "Whereas the said James Hook and Elizabeth Northcraft have each of them several children by their former marriages, it is hereby bargained and agreed by and between the aforesaid parties that in case the aforesaid marriage shall take effect, that their several and respective estates of which they are at present possessed shall be in no wise affected by said inter-marriage."

James Hook[3] figured in many court affairs in Lower Frederick County, was several times a grand juryman, and frequently a defendant or complainant in some minor action. In 1775 he was appointed a Captain in the Revolutionary forces and contributed his bit by recruiting soldiers for service "against the common enemy."

CHILDREN BY HIS FIRST WIFE WERE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) James Samuel Hook[4], d. 1820, unm. He was the natural legatee to his father's position in Potomac Hills and was called Colonel by his slaves and servants. Upon his death Potomac Hills, which he had greatly enlarged in 1812, was purchased by Patrick McGill, Jr., who had m. his niece, Mary Davis Hook.

(2) Stephen Hook[4], b. 1756, m. Nov. 14, 1784, Sarah Thrasher. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and pensioner from Alleghany Co., Va. He was at Morristown, N. J. in 1776 and fought at the Battle of Germantown, Pa. He moved with his family to Allegheny Co., Va., after 1820 and had issue: Eli Hook and Stephen Hook.

(3) Daniel Hook[4], m. Feb. 19, 1787, Sarah Burgess whose mother was Mary Davis, a close relative of Governor Robert Bowie of Maryland. After death of his wife about 1800, he moved to Kentucky and m. second, Miss Crowe and had issue by this marriage two daughters: (1) America, who m. R. S. Thompson and (2) Emily, who m. J. B. Stockton. Issue by first marriage four sons and one dau. as follows:

(1) John Burgess Hook[5], b. 1788; d. 1824; m. 1st, Dec. 10, 1813, Ruth Weakly; no issue. M. 2d, May 1816, Jane Clapham, b. 1801; d. 1858; issue: one dau., Mary Hook who m. James Muse; probably m. 2nd James Horstman

(2) James Hook[5], b. 1790; d. Feb. 16, 1837; buried Hancock, Md. M. 1st, Apr. 13, 1819, Elizabeth McGill, dau. of Patrick McGill, Sr., m. 2d, July 29, 1826, Catherine Jamison. The family moved in 1835 to Hancock, Md. Of issue by first m.: James Daniel Hook, who m. Miss Davis and had issue two sons and two dau., as follows: (1) James Patrick McGill Hook, who resided in Hancock, Md., unm.; (2) Harrison Hook, who d. by accident, unm.; (3) Mary Hook, who m. Mr. English and lived in Hancock, Md.; (4) a dau. who d. unm.

(3) Mary Davis Hook[5], (of whom more later) b. 1793; d. before 1836; m. 1816; confirmed Apr. 13, 1819; Patrick McGill, Jr., b. Oct. 12, 1790. Marriage was confirmed because events occurred after the first marriage that led the parishioners to believe that the pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal Church who m. them in 1816 was an imposter. Patrick McGill was the grandson of John McGill, and great grandson of the Rev. James McGill who came to Maryland in an early day and was Rector of Christ Church in what is now Howard County, Md., for many years.

(4) Dr. Daniel Hook[5] (of whom more later), b. Apr. 6, 1795, at Point of Rocks, Md.; d. July 27, 1870, at Atlanta, Ga. He was educated at Carlisle College, Pa., by his Uncle James Samuel Hook, who adopted him and his sister Mary Davis Hook, after the death of their mother in 1800. He moved to Louisville, Ga., in 1817 and in 1832 to Augusta, Ga., where he became a prominent physician and churchman. He was mayor of Augusta for two terms. He was also a Mason of high standing. He m. 1818, Catherine sister of William Schley, formerly of Maryland, later Governor of Georgia. She was b. 1795, and d. 1877. Dr. Hook was a man of high character and education as preserved letters and church and medical records prove.

(5) Samuel Hook[5], killed by accident in a saw-mill. Unm.

(6) George Hook[5], probably.

CHILDREN OF MARY DAVIS HOOK[5] (DAUGHTER OF DANIEL[4] AND SARAH (BURGESS) HOOK AND GRANDDAUGHTER OF JAMES HOOK[3]) AND HER HUSBAND PATRICK McGill, JR.:

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(1) Edward West McGill[6], m. Mary White.

(2) Sarah Eleanor McGill[6], b. Apr. 23, 1818; d. July 1, 1903; m. John Lloyd Belt, b. Feb. 20, 1819; d. Jan. 25, 1889. They owned Potomac Hills until about 1902 when it became the property of Emanuel Hine. Mr. Belt's grandmother was Anna Campbell, a direct descendant of one of the Dukes of Argyle. Issue, nine as follows:

(1) Mary Charlotte Belt[7], m. B. D. Chambers; of issue, B. D. Chambers, Jr., who was rector at Millwood and Boyce, Va.

(2) Alfred McGill Belt[7], m. Ariana T. Trail. Both deceased. Was a physician in Baltimore, Md.

(3) John Lloyd Belt[7], d. when 23, unm.

(4) Ellen Campbell Belt[7], m. John H. Reich. Both deceased.

(5) America McGill Belt[7], m. Thomas A. McIlvaine of Delaware.

(6) Annie Oliver Belt[7], m. L. A. White.

(7) Sarah Virginia Belt[7], bachelor maid. She is a member of D. A. R.

(8) McGill Belt[7], m. Anne R. Barnard. He has been a member of Maryland House of Delegates.

(9) Julia Belt[7], bachelor maid. She is a member and historian D. A. R., President of Dickerson Round Table, President Women's Auxiliary and President Christ Church Guild and organist of same church. She is also a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and Past Secretary and Treasurer. Living Rock Hall, Dickerson, Md.

(10) Oliver Belt[7], killed by accident. Lived, Washington, D. C.

(3) America Hook McGill[6], m. T. Johnson. No issue.

(4) Eleanora Arabella McGill[6], m. P. M. West. Issue: Mary Hook West, m. William Schnauffer, and Dr. Levin West, who m. Elizabeth Hedges; no issue. Both children living at Brunswick, Md.

(5) Oliver McGill[6], never married.

(6) Anne Matilda McGill[6], never married.

(7) Mary Davis Hook McGill[6], never married.

CHILDREN OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5] (SON OF DANIEL[4] AND SARAH (BURGESS) HOOK AND GRANDSON OF JAMES HOOK[3]) AND HIS WIFE CATHERINE SCHLEY:

(1) Edward Burgess Hook[6], b. 1822; d. at Richmond during the Civil War. He was a Captain of the Sandersville Volunteers. He had been a physician with his father in Augusta. Never married.

(2) James Schley Hook[6], b. Mar. 25, 1824, at Louisville, Ga., d. in Atlanta, Ga., 1907. In 1850 he m. 1st, Emily Jane Harris of Sandersville, Ga., b. 1831; d. 1880. M. 2d, 1885, Lulie C. Mays, of Lexington, Ky. He obtained his early education in Richmond Academy and later graduated from the law school of William Tracy Gould. He was a very precocious youngster and passed his bar examination before he had reached the age of eighteen. By special act of the legislature he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law immediately at Sandersville, Ga. He quickly distinguished himself as a powerful pleader and student of the law. In 1860 he was one of the electors on the Douglas Ticket and in 1861 was elected to the First Confederate State Legislature. He volunteered for service in the Confederate Army, but was rejected on account of physical disability. In 1862 he was nominated by Governor Brown to the Judgeship of the Middle Georgia Circuit. The nomination was confirmed by the State Senate. He remained on the bench until 1867 when he returned to the bar and resumed his practice of the profession. Colonel Richard M. Johnston in a speech said of him "As a lawyer he early exhibited the genius he inherited from a distinguished family. A laborious student and practitioner, a judicious counselor and an eloquent orator, the people elevated him to the bench when still in youth and the career he made while there may be compared with that of the best of this or any former period of the judiciary of his native state." He contributed much to the public press on current questions and his addresses and orations were eagerly copied. Two of his orations deserve special attention: "Woman and Truth" delivered at the Wesleyan Female College where his wife had been an honor student, and "Bible and Republicanism" at Oglethorpe University. In 1887 he was appointed State School Commissioner and won the admiration of many educators, one of whom, thirty-five years later, said that "Judge Hook had done more for education in Georgia than any other man." During his long and active career his name was frequently suggested for the Governorship of the State and U. S. Senator, but he aspired to neither of these honors. President McKinley appointed him chairman of the Osage Indian Commission in Indian Territory, which position he held for two years. He was a man of fine literary tastes and his name is linked with the best men and best interests in the state. Issue by first marriage; three sons and five daughters, as follows:

(1) Emily Marth Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Sept. 10, 1854; m. Dec. 1870, Colonel Albert Howell, b. Feb. 13, 1843, in Atlanta, Ga.

(2) Edward Burgess Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Apr. 16, 1858; m. Oct. 25, 1888, Annie Belle Maude, b. Aug. 1, 1866. For many years editor "Augusta Chronical" and for past seventeen years City Tax Assessor. Resides, Augusta, Ga.

(3) Anna Maria Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Aug. 16, 1861; m. Oct. 2, 1879, in Atlanta, Fletcher J. Spratling. Residence, Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. Spratling has been prominent in politics and for eight years Clerk of Criminal Division of Superior Court. She is Vice Regent, Atlanta Chapter, D. A. R.

(4) Alexander Stephens Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Feb. 17, 1865; m. Feb. 17, 1890, Mary Beeks Johnson, b. Sept. 3, 1869.

(5) Margaret Campfield Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Feb. 4, 1868; m. Nov. 5, 1891, Tyre Lee Jennings.

(6) Louisa Tubman Hook[7], b. Sept. 21, 1869; d. Sept. 15, 1913.

(7) John Schley Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. May 23, 1871; m. Oct. 1905, Caroline Clark, b. 1876. Banker, Augusta, Ga.

(8) Sue Steiner Hook[7], b. Feb. 11, 1873. At present living in Atlanta, Ga., where she is Supt. of the Southern Christian Home which is devoted to the care of homeless and friendless children.

(3) Anna Maria Hook[6], b. 1826; d. 1885; m. 1842, H. D. Tate of West Point, Ga. Issue: (1) James Hook Tate, m. but had no issue. He is now deceased; (2) Catherine Schley Tate, m. 1st, Ephraim Erwin and had issue: Ephie, who m. Mr. Williams and lives in Atlanta, Ga.; m. 2d, Mr. George Lyons and had dau. Mary, who m. N. Baker and lived in West Point, Ga.; m. 3d, Mr. Wagoner, of New York.

(4) Mary Davis Hook[6], b. Aug. 30, 1828; d. 1886; m. 1853, Judge Clarke Howell, b. 1811 in N. C.; d. 1882. She wrote a biography of her father which shows much literary talent. Family resides in Atlanta, Ga. Issue, son and dau., as follows:

(1) Daniel Hook Howell[7], b. Sept. 28, 1856; d. Apr. 16, 1899; m. Ida Cocke. He graduated from the Atlanta Medical College in 1877 and became a prominent surgeon. Issue, one dau.

(2) Catherine Schley Howell[7], b. April 7, 1854; m. Alsop Park Woodward, b. 1847, in Beauford District, S. C.; d. Mar. 17, 1915. Issue, seven children, as follows: (1) Clark Howell Woodward, b. Mar. 4, 1877; m. Charlotte Linne; (2) Mary Davis Woodward, b. Apr. 25, 1879; m. Lieut. Roscoe Hearne; (3) Alsop Park Woodward, b. Oct. 1, 1881; d. May 27, 1882; (4) Elizabeth Pope Woodward, b. Dec. 14, 1883; m. Julian S. Chambers; (5) Martha Catherine Woodward, b. July 2, 1885; m. Thomas T. Flagler; (6) Daniel Hook Woodward, b. Mar. 6, 1890; m. Lucy Roberts; (7) Harry Park Woodward; b. Dec. 2, 1893; m. Louisa Jones.

(5) Emily[6], d. young.

(6) America[6], d. young.

CHILDREN OF EMILY MARTHA HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDDAUGHTER OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HER HUSBAND, ALBERT HOWELL:

(1) James Hook Howell[8], b. Oct. 21, 1871; d. June 6, 1872.

(2) Evan Park Howell[8], b. Apr. 9, 1873; m. 1st, 1905, Lois McNeely of New York and had issue, Richard and Andrew; m. 2d, 1921, and had issue, one dau. He was a surgeon many years in Regular Army. At present prominent eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, New Orleans, La.

(3) Edward Burgess Howell[8], b. Mar. 4, 1875.

(4) Emily Martha Howell[8], b. Nov. 13, 1877; d. Oct. 27, 1881.

(5) Albert Raymond Howell[8], b. Nov. 27, 1878; d. July 15, 1883.

(6) Annie Darling Howell[8], b. Oct. 26, 1883; m. 1905, Alfred Taylor Heath, of Atlanta, Ga. Lives, Sumter, S. C.

(7) Daniel Hook Howell[8], b. May 31, 1885.

(8) Catherine Schley Howell[8], b. Sept. 17, 1892; m. Jan. 1, 1914, Julian Mason, who d. 1923 in Cuba. Issue: Catherine and Julian, Jr.

CHILDREN OF EDWARD BURGESS HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDSON OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HIS WIFE, ANNA BELLE MAUDE:

(1) Edward Burgess Hook[8], Jr., b. Sept. 2, 1889; m. Mona Price. He volunteered for service in World War I and being an electrical engineer, he was detailed with officer of U. S. Navy in charge of construction of hydroplane station at Galveston, Tex., to superintend electrical work in connection with the station. Later was Manager Atlanta office of Lockwood, Greene and Company, Engineers.

(2) James Preston Hook[8], b. Jan. 21, 1892. He volunteered at beginning of World War I and was sent to first officers' training camp at Fort McPherson, Ga. Commissioned 2nd Lieut., Co. H, 327th Reg., 82nd Div. and advanced to 1st Lieut. Wounded in action in the Argonne and was in French and American Hospitals two years. M. Sept. 1, 1924, Marie McLendon. Resides, Greensboro, N. C.

(3) Huntington Lamar Hook[8], b. Nov. 22, 1894; m. Caroline Williams of Augusta, Ga. Volunteered at Norfolk for service in U. S. Navy during World War I, but was rejected because of height. Worked in munitions factory in Virginia during remainder of War. Now residing, Uniontown, Pa.

(4) Eleanor Clark Hook[8], b. Jan. 22, 1900; m. Oct. 25, 1923, Rivers Lawton Varn of Beaufort, S. C.

(5) Francis Moore Hook[8], b. May 2, 1902. Graduate U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Class 1924. Commissioned an Ensign, U. S. N.

CHILDREN OF ANNA MARIA HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDDAUGHTER OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HER HUSBAND, FLETCHER J. SPRATLING:

(1) James Hook Spratling[8], b. in Augusta, Dec. 3, 1880; m. 1905, Pauline Wagoner of Atlanta. At present prominent optician of Macon, Ga. Of issue: (1) Pauline; (2) Martha; (3) James Hook, Jr.

(2) Fletcher Guy Spratling[8], b. in Augusta, Ga., Mar. 3, 1882. Now residing, Chicago, Ill., where he is district manager for the Coca Cola Company.

(3) Mildred Spratling[8], b. in Augusta, Ga., Aug. 14, 1888; m. Roy Collier of Atlanta. Of issue, two sons: Roy Collier, Jr. and John Spratling Collier. Residence, Atlanta, Ga.

CHILDREN OF ALEXANDER STEPHENS HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDSON OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HIS WIFE, MARY BEEKS JOHNSON:

(1) Joseph Johnson Hook[8], b. Dec. 3, 1890; d. in Vancouver, B. C., June 27, 1920. He enlisted as a private at the time of the Mexican-U. S. trouble in 1914 and did service on the border. When the World War I came he enlisted in the 356th Inf., 89th Div., and saw some of the hardest service in France. He was awarded the distinguished service medal with the following citation "For extraordinary heroism at Pouilly, France, Nov. 5-6, 1918, participating in the first reconnaissance of the damaged bridges at Pouilly with two others, he advanced more than 500 meters beyond the American outposts, crossing three branches of the Meuse River and successfully encountering the enemy." News of this award did not reach him before his untimely death.

(2) Catherine Schley Hook[8], b. Dec. 25, 1900; m. in Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 7, 1923. Wesley Espey. Resides, Savannah, Ga.

CHILDREN OF MARGARET CAMPFIELD HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDDAUGHTER OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HER HUSBAND, TYRE LEE JENNINGS:

(1) Tyre Lee Jennings[8], Jr., b. Aug. 21, 1894; m. Louise Martin, of Atlanta, Ga. Enlisted as private in World War I and was honorably discharged at end of the War as a Sergeant Major. Served in France. Of issue; one son, Tyre Jennings.

(2) Emily Hook Jennings[8], b. May 14, 1893; m. Robert W. Crenshaw, Jr., an attorney. Of issue: (1) Jane; (2) Betty; (3) Robert W.; (4) Margaret Hook Crenshaw.

CHILDREN OF JOHN SCHLEY HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES SCHLEY HOOK[6] AND GRANDSON OF DR. DANIEL HOOK[5]) AND HIS WIFE, CAROLINE CLARK:

(1) John Schley Hook[8], Jr., b. 1907.

(2) Lillian Clark Hook[8], b. 1910.

(3) Beverly Wray Hook[8], b. 1916.

JOHN HOOK[3], son of James[2] and Margaret Hook and grandson of Thomas[1] Hook, was born about 1718 in Prince George County, Maryland, and died, 1762, in lower Frederick County, Maryland. He married, probably, Sarah Simpson of English ancestry. The family in some way unknown at present was related to the Snowden family of Maryland. Some declare that John Hook's wife was Sarah Snowden rather than Sarah Simpson, which accounts for the suggestion of doubt expressed above as to her maiden name. It is true that John Hook's second son was named John Snowden Hook, also that one Thomas Thrasher signed John Hook's will as a kinsman. Thomas Thrasher, it is believed, was a brother of John Hook's mother, but this writer has seen no documentary evidence to prove it. At any rate, the families were reputed to be closely connected and it is hoped that the riddle may be solved by some enterprising member of the family.

After his father's death John and his brother James moved to what later became Lower Frederick County, Maryland. They settled upon 150 acres of land which John Magruder had given to his "good friend James Hook" by deed of gift dated and recorded in Prince George County, August 26, 1740. On November 27, 1740, James, by deed of gift, conveyed to his "loving brother John" fifty acres of this land. (Liber Y, page 244, Upper Marlboro, Md.) The land was described as "a certain piece of land lying near the mouth of Ketanken Creek which falls into the Potomack River about ten miles north of Monocaccy, it being a part of land called Ketanken Bottom laid out for 150 acres more or less."

The motive, as yet unknown, for this gift of John Magruder, wealthy planter of Prince George County has always aroused interest in Hook family circles. Some believe that the wife of the immigrant Thomas Hook was Annaple Magruder but no proof has been found.

John Hook and his brother James were both members of the English Church and in 1742 were among the signers of the petition that succeeded in dividing Prince George Parish and erecting a new one to be known as All Saints

Parish.

After Frederick County was formed out of the western part of Prince George County in 1748, a tract of land to be known as "The John and Sarah" was laid out for 100 acres in Lower Frederick County. On a warrant issued July 27, 1750, this tract was re-surveyed for John Hook and found to contain 114 acres to which was added 274 acres. This tract of 388 acres continued to be called "The John and Sarah", a name well befitting its occupants.

On January 18, 1752, a parcel of 133 acres of this land was deeded by John and Sarah Hook to Richard Ankrum, for which the latter paid a sum of six pounds, fourteen shillings and eight pence currency. There evidently was something wrong in the description in this deed, because it was deeded again to Richard Ankrum on March 8, 1753, with a slight change in description. The consideration was the same in both deeds.

On April 4, 1754, John[3] deeded back to his brother James[3] the fifty acres of land formerly given to him by that brother, receiving for same 1,000 pounds of tobacco, one horse, two sheep and two barrels of Indian corn. Old court records indicate that the two brothers, about this time, were opposing witnesses in several law suits which leads one to believe that an estrangement had grown up between them. This seems to have been dissipated later, however. John's son James Hook[4] is said to have lived with his Uncle James after his father's death in 1762 and named sons after three of his uncle's children.

There are no records to indicate that John Hook[3] was ever a slave owner. None are mentioned in his Will and neither of his children possessed any. His brother James[3] was a substantial slave owner and the progenitor of a family of typical southern gentlemen. The descendants of John, so far as records have been searched, were soldiers on the side of the Union. The descendants of James espoused the cause of the Confederacy. The descendants of John emigrated westward, those of James emigrated southward into Virginia and Georgia. They were all men of sterling character and high ideals, ancestors of whom the present generation north or south may well be proud.

The Will of JOHN HOOK[3] dated May 19, 1761, reads in part as follows: (Will book, Liber A, No. I, page 170, Frederick County, Maryland.) After leaving his soul to God, etc. he gave,

> "to my son James Hook[7] 135 acres of land of the plantation I now live on to him and his heirs forever after my wife's decease, then I give to my son John Snowden Hook[8] 135 acres of land (interlined before signed) a part of the same tract I now live on at the south end of the tract called John and Sarah. I leave it to him and his heirs forever after my wife's decease. Then I give to my wife Sarah all my movable effects to her for her to settle my affairs and pay my debts with all I have and I leave my wife Sarah my whole and sole executor."
>
> Witnesses - Abraham Lakin, John Simpson, Thomas Eldridge. Signed -- John Hook

The inventory of the estate of John Hook[3] was appraised, February 16, 1762 by Joseph Ray and Joseph Simpson. The principal items were: 737 pounds of transfer tobacco, one sow and eighteen shoats, nine sheep, six horses, cows, one heifer and three yearlings, one loom and harness, two linen wheels, six barrels of corn, one coat, jacket, breeches and hat, two beds and bedsteads, two saddles, three plows, one pair stilliards, lumber, powder, one chest, lead and items of furniture, casks, pots, pans and other household utensils. Arthur Charlton and Charles Beatty for Thomas Beatty signed as creditors, James Hook[4] and Thomas Thrasher signed as kin and Joseph Ray and Joseph Simpson signed as appraisers.

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND SARAH HOOK:

(1) James Hook,[4] the subject of this book, (See Part III).

(2) John Snowden Hook[4] (See Part III).

CAPTAIN JAMES HOOK

PART III

JAMES HOOK[4], called Captain, son of John Hook[3], grandson of James Hook[2] and great grandson of Thomas Hooke[1], was born in Lower Frederick County, Maryland, in 1749 and died in Greene County, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1824. (See Part IV for his descendants.) Tradition says that after the death of his father in 1762, he lived with his Uncle James Hook at Potomac Hills until his marriage in 1765, whereupon he and his bride re-occupied the old homestead of his parents nearby. He named three of his sons after three of his Hook cousins.

The wish expressed in the book"James Hook and Virginia Eller", page 58, published by this writer in 1925, that the maiden name of the wife of Captain James Hook would be sought for and found has been gratified. She was the daughter of Robert Lyeth (sometimes spelled Lieth) of Anne Arundel and Prince George Counties, Maryland, and Sarah Lakin his wife. Sarah Lakin was the daughter of Abraham Lakin who married Oct. 10, 1717, Martha Lee, b. June 20, 1699, daughter of William and Ann Lee of Prince George County, Maryland. (See Lakin Family. Also see Lee Family. Both in this book.)

According to a weather-worn marker found in the old burial ground on the Captain James Hook homestead, located about four miles east of Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, on Ten Mile Creek, she died Jan. 30, 1815, aged 71 years, 4 months and 19 days. A copy of the inscription was taken from the stone by Mr. Charles A. Kent in 1902. His statement in regard to it is as follows:

> "At Waynesburg in 1902 I ran out southeast of Town to an old site of a settlement called Hookstown, Hook's Mill being on the way out. I found an old grave four miles east of Waynesburg on which a stone told in crumbling carvings:
>
> 'Here lies the body of MARY HOOK, wife of JAMES HOOK, who dep. this life Jan. 30, A.D. 1815 Aged 71 years, 4 mo. & 19 days.
>
> 'In sickness long my life has been
> And much Affliction have I seen,
> But now my Lord has set me free
> To rein with him eternally.'"

The writer saw the same stone in 1923, and confirms Mr. Kent's statement.

If we can depend upon Captain Hook's age as stated in his pension and bounty land applications she was some years his senior, also, since their first child was born July 4, 1766, she married him in his seventeenth year.

The records of James Hook and his wife Mary are clear in both Frederick County, Maryland, where they were married and where James at least was born, and also in Washington and Green Counties, Pennsylvania, where they raised their family. On August 20, 1771, April 10, 1775, and June 17, 1775, they signed deeds of conveyance of the property which had been willed to James by his father, John. The purchasers were Abraham Leakin, (Lakin) an uncle of Mary Hook, John Snowden Hook, and Samuel J. Hook. John Snowden Hook was a brother of James, and Samuel J. Hook (no doubt the same as James Samuel Hook) was his cousin. (Deed Books Libers O-p 510, BD-p 408 and BD-p 608, Frederick, Md.) James was mentioned in these deeds as Junior to avoid confusion with his prominent Uncle James, who was figuring in many land purchases and transfers at the time.

James and Mary, with a young son and daughter, moved to what is now Greene County, Pennsylvania, in the spring of 1772 or 1773. What motive prompted them to leave the fertile valley of Lower Frederick County, Maryland, where they owned a fine farm among friends, and go to the steep hills and dense woods of what then was the frontier of Virginia, is not known. In fact, it is hard to understand what any settler, who intended to earn a livelihood from the soil, could have seen in those hills and narrow valleys far away from markets, and among hostile Indians. As a matter of fact, they were only one of many fine families that left comfortable homes in the tide water colonies about that time on that pilgrimage in quest of cheap land, that grew into one of the greatest migratory movements that the human race has ever known.

There is a tendency on the part of historians to confine their heroic and tragic anecdotes of colonization in America to the Atlantic seaboard. Colonization did not end by any means when the Puritans established themselves in New England, or when Virginia, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, and the Carolinas, carved out their local governments. It did not end until the vast territory reaching all the way to the Pacific was conquered by successive vanguards of settlers, all of whom, even to the

last quarter of the nineteenth century, submitted to privations and dangers that demanded fully as much fortitude and courage as characterized the earlier generations.

When James and Mary arrived on Lower Ten Mile Creek (written Tenmile Creek) in what is now Greene County, Pennsylvania, hostile Indians roamed the adjacent country. These Indians, at an earlier date friendly but later goaded to desperation by renegade white men who looked upon them as wild beasts that must be exterminated, committed depredations that defy a parallel in American History.

In 1774 the Indian reign of terror became so great that the settlers on Lower Ten Mile Creek built Ankrom and Jackson Forts as a refuge and defense. Fort Ankrom, I was recently informed by the late Howard L. Leckey, was built on John Ankrom's land which lay just across Tenmile Creek from the land of Captain James Hook. John Ankrom's daughter, Elizabeth, married John Lakin who was a cousin of Captain Hook's wife. Fort Ankrom was a regular station, so Mr. Leckey said, and is mentioned frequently as a rendevous point for frontier rangers. Fort Jackson, located not far from what is now the eatern boundary of the town of Waynesburg, also played an important part in the history of the community. Mr. L. K. Evans, writing in the Waynesburg "Republican" in 1875 and 1876, described this fort as follows:

> "At first this fortification was but a single cabin remodeled and reconstructed into a sort of block house. But in the course of fleet-footed time, when the inhabitants increased and dangers thickened, a regular stockade of great capacity and superior strength was constructed. This consisted of a regular system of cabins, arranged in the form of a hollow square and enclosing an acre of ground. Between these cabins were palisades ten or twelve feet high and all supplied with portholes and other necessary conveniences essential to effective defense. Each prominent thrifty settler in the neighborhood who looked to Fort Jackson for protection, owned one of its elementary cabins, and besides a home on his farm had a home of defense to which he resorted in case of alarm. The doors of these cabins all opened toward the enclosure and on the outward side there was neither door nor window, except it would be some contrivance of an opening in the upper part as a means of observation. To this fortification there was one common entrance gate, but once inside each family controlled its own apartment and latch string."

This fort got its name from Richard Jackson who owned the farm on which it was built. Jackson was married twice, his second wife being a sister of Mary Lyeth, wife of Captain James Hook. (See Lakin Family.)

It is said that James and Mary Hook owned one of the cabins in this frontier fort and repaired there many times with their family from their home further down

stream when an Indian attack was impending. Mr. Leckey once suggested that the cabin he owned more probably was at Fort Ankrom which was much nearer to his plantation than Fort Jackson, which appears reasonable. There is but small doubt that Mary Hook and her family of young children lived in her cabin in one of these forts a good deal of the time for the two years or so that her husband was away to war. She hardly would have dared to live alone in the little cabin on the Hook homestead, for, during the eventful years of 1777-1778, but few families in that wild country, who were unprotected, escaped the horrors of Indian tomahawk and scalping knife.

For a number of years after James and Mary Hook settled on Tenmile Creek, the whole territory in that section was claimed both by Pennsylvania, and Virginia. The boundary dispute which awarded most of the section to Pennsylvania was settled in principal in 1779, but the line was not run until 1784. During this period families living in the disputed territory were never sure of their property rights and became greatly agitated. Even after Virginia and Pennsylvania settled the matter in 1779 the dissatisfaction persisted. Open warfare threatened and prominent and influential citizens were much alarmed. To settle matters a petition was drawn and presented to the Continental Congress praying that body to set off the disputed land into a new state to be called Westsylvania. The names of James and John Hook (John probably was the brother of James) together with probably a thousand appeared as signers. (Papers of the Continental Congress No. 48, Folios 251-6, pages 89-96. Also see Howard L. Leckey in the October 12, 19, 26 and November 2, 1950 issues of the "Waynesburg Pennsylvania Republican".)

The petition bears no date and, according to Mr. Leckey, contained names of some who could not write their names and of some young boys, leading to the conclusion that some of the names were written in by the agitators of the movement. Leckey implies that he would set the date at about 1783. The petition is beautifully drawn and written in a style that indicates scholarship. It mentioned particularly and with great alarm "an act of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, lately published for consideration, respecting the inhabitants of the west side of Laurel Hill, restraining and forbidding them to assemble together or consult about their own safety or even to

mention the new state within the boundaries of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under the penalty of being deemed guilty of incurring the pain and penalties of high treason." This offending act had been authorized by Pennsylvania in December of 1782 as a result of other itinerant petitions that had been and were being circulated in different parts of the territory under dispute. A formal petition of responsible people, therefore, was in order. Mr. Leckey, while pointing out that a good many names on the petition appeared more than once, said that a five year study had failed to show a single faked name. It would appear, however, that names that may have appeared on earlier petitions were attached to this one as for instance the one of Jacob Vanmeter, who moved to Kentucky in 1780 and Simon Rinehart who was killed by Indians in 1780 or 1781. In all events, the agitation slowly quieted down in 1783 and died out pretty completely after the line between Pennsylvania and Virginia was run in 1784.

Like many other early settlers, James Hook thought he was living within the jurisdiction of Virginia. He joined the Virginia Militia and became a Captain. This is proved by his application for bounty land for services in the Revolutionary War dated November 21st, 1822, in which he stated that "he served some years previously to the year seventeen hundred and seventy-six as a Militia Captain of the State of Virginia." Supporting same application is an affidavit in which James Seals of Greene County under oath said that he was acquainted with Captain James Hook in 1774 at which time he was a Captain in the Virginia Militia. Captain Hook was not continuously in the Militia service, but was engaged in many expeditions, and undoubtedly took part in Lord Dunmores war against the Indians of that section in 1774. According to traditions handed down, Capt. Hook was a fearless Indian hunter, an excellent shot and one of the strongest men physically in the service. He commanded the first militia forces at Fort Jackson.

In 1776 he was transferred to the Continental Line and according to the muster roll of his Company, dated Sept. 1, 1777, was commissioned a Captain on December 19, 1776 at which time his pay commenced. (W.D. 250, 1-5, Va. State Library) His Company which was largely his old Militia Company was attached to the 13th Virginia Regiment raised by Colonel William Crawford, who, in 1782, while on an expedition into Ohio,

was captured by a band of Wyandot Indians under the renegade Simon Girty and burned at the stake. Early in the spring of 1777, Hook's company was stationed at old Jackson Fort before mentioned. From here he marched his Company to Wheeling Fort, and a little later guarded a shipment of gunpowder to Pittsburgh. In the summer of 1777 he marched his Company under orders to New Jersey. He commanded his Company at the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. Colonel Russell was Commander of the 13th Virginia at this time. In the summer of 1778 the 13th Virginia marched to Fort Pitt on the western frontier. Captain Hook continued his march westward "where his family resided" and continued in command on the western frontier until the close of the war.

The Surgeon of the 13th regiment was one John Lyth (Lyeth). (W.D. 247-1.) He was, probably, a relative of Capt. Hook's wife if not, indeed, her brother. He died January 15, 1778, probably at Valley Forge. He was reported on the general pay abstract of the 13th Va. Regiment for January, 1778.

Heitman in his Historical Register of the Continental Army, page 227, says "Hook, James (Va.) Captain 13th Virginia, 19 Dec. 1776, resigned 21st April 1778. (Died 23rd Jan. 1824.)"

Heitman obviously confused Capt. James Hook's record with that of Ensign James Hook's of the 8th Virginia. This is proved by the Adjutant General's office in the following letter:

War Department
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

Mrs. P. A. Spence,
Wyethville, Virginia

July 19, 1924.

The name James Hooke, or Hook, has not been found on the records, on file in this office, of the 6th Virginia Regiment, Revolutionary War.

The records of this office show that one James Hooke (surname also borne as Hook) served in the Revolutionary War as an ensign, in Captain David Stephenson's Company, 8th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Abraham Bowman. He was commissioned March 16, 1777, and resigned April 21, 1778.

The records also show that one James Hook served in that war as a Captain in Captain James Hook's Company, 13th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel William Russell. He was commissioned December 19, 1776. On the muster roll for November 1777, dated December 19, 1777, he was reported on furlough, and so reported on subsequent muster rolls to include the roll for March 1778, the last roll on which his name appears.

> The collection of Revolutionary War records in this office is far from complete, and it is suggested that additional information may be obtained from the Librarian, Virginia State Library, Richmond, or from the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.
>
> No record has been found of the service as a commissioned office in the Revolutionary War of any other man named James Hooke or Hook.
>
> (Signed) Robert C. Davis.
>
> Major General
> The Adjutant General
>
> By E. W. M.

The letter quoted above shows that it was Ensign James Hook that resigned April 21, 1778 and not Captain James Hook.

Captain Hook's applications for pension in 1818 and for Bounty Land in 1822 together with supporting affidavits of his friends and neighbors, throw much light on his war services. His application for pension (Survivor File, Pension Bureau, File No. 39713) is dated October 18, 1818 and says in part,

> "That in the fall seventy six he was appointed a Captain in the Regiment raised by Colonel Crawford the 13th Virginia Regiment; that he served on the Western frontier until the summer of seventy-seven, when he was ordered to headquarters, (at Trenton) where the command of the Regiment devolved on Colonel Russel, that he was in the Battle of Brandywine & Germantown, that he served in the Revolutionary War from November 1776 till June 1778, at which time he left the service by the consent of his commanding officer (Colonel Broadhead)."

There were several supporting affidavits to Captain Hook's application, one of which gives additional information. Joseph Gwyne's sworn statement said,

> "that the first time he saw Capt. James Hook after he entered the service was in August 1777 at a place called Grimes Park in Penna. about 20 miles from Philadelphia, at which place he saw Capt. Hook with his Company attached to the 13th Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. Russell marching to meet the enemy at Brandywine; This deponent was ordered off with some sick men of the Reg. to the hospital in Phila. in consequence of which he was neither in the Battle of Brandywine or Germantown, but after the Battle of Germantown he saw many of Capt. Hook's men who were his acquaintances and told this deponent that Capt. Hook commanded them both in Brandywine and Germantown Battles;

The pension application of Levi House, filed at Jefferson City, Indiana October 9, 1834, also contains information about Captain Hook's command, which he called the "Calico Hunting Shirt Company of the Virginia Line". An abstract of his application states that he

> "had been a member of Methodist Church, aged 88 years. Enlisted May 1777 in Captain James Hook's Calico Hunting Shirt Company of the Virginia Line.

Lived in Washington County, Penna. at the time. Men assembled at Old Redstone and marched down to Maryland to join Col. Morgan's Rifle Company, but after going 80 miles an express brought orders from Col. Broadhead to go to Wheeling Fort. There until November 1778. In February 1779 went to Jackson's Fort in Pennsylvania, where he served 3 months under Captain William Harrod scouting. March from the fort to Grave Creek, Fishing Creek, then served under Captain James Archer over the same ground. Was under Col. Crawford at his defeat, as a volunteer at Sandusky in 1782."

On June 19th, 1821, Captain Hook made another statement, in support of his claim for pension, in which he plead poverty somewhat beyond the bounds of reason in view of the fact that he was living among several thrifty sons, all of whom were amply willing and able to take care of him. He did owe some money at the time, but he might not have permitted his attorney to list his scant belongings which, as a matter of fact, were all he had left himself after parcelling out most of his personal property after the death of his first wife in 1815. He married again late in 1820, probably Mrs. Rebecca Roach, nee Miller, born in 1756, and attempted to renew housekeeping which in his advanced age and low condition of health he could not do. She died May 29, 1823. On April 21, 1822 his son, Daniel Hook, agreed to house and board his father until death. (Deed book 5, p. 243, Greene Co.) On November 21, 1822 when he made application for bounty land, he was back with his sons James and Daniel, perhaps alternately, and in a better state of mind and health.

The second pension application throws some additional light on Capt. Hook's Revolutionary War services. He repeats that he was in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown. He states that he was stationed for some time at Wheeling and guarded some powder to Pittsburgh in the spring of 1777. He served under Colonel Crawford until the latter's resignation, after which he served under Colonel Russel who succeeded Crawford. He was marched back to Pittsburgh in 1778, where he was under the command of Colonel Broadhead. He quit the service in the fall or latter part of the year 1778, but he does not say that he resigned his commission which other records say he did not. He stated that he was 72 years old and that his family consisted of a wife about fifty-six years of age. (He probably meant to say sixty-six.) He said he had formerly been a farmer and afterwards a merchant, and that he was now very unhealthy and incapable of labor or any kind of business. Captain Hook was awarded a pension of $320 per year.

The papers pertaining to Captain Hook's application for bounty land read as follows, prothonotary's certifications of rights of justices to administer oaths omitted. (Originals on file at Virginia State Library.)

I

Washington
March 4, '23.

Dear Sir:

At the request of Mr. Rees Hill a destinguished Citizen of Pennsylvania I beg leave to enclose you the accompanying documents in behalf of Captn. Hook a revolutionary officer who claims the bounty land due to his rank - Mr. Hill speaks in the most favorable terms of his integrity - His situation in life makes his success in his now application most important to him - I have not had time to inspect the papers - Indeed there was no inducement as his claim depends on evidence of the sufficiency of which you are most competent to decide.

Very respectfully

Yr. Friend

James Barbour*

To Mr. Pleasants
Govr. of Virga.

*Note: James Barbour was Secy. of War in the cabinet of President John Quincy Adams.

II

Mr. Pleasants
Govr. of Virga.

The Honourable the Governor and Council of the State of Virginia.

The memorial and representation of the undersigned the Friend of Captain James Hook late a Captain in the Virginia line upon the continental establishment, Respectfully represents That in addition to the Representation and the vouchers heretofore presented to your honours in support of the claim of the said Captain Hook for land Bounty is herewith transmitted the deposition of the said Captain in which he states on his solemn oath that after having served for some years as a Captain in the Militia Service of the State he was commissioned a Captain in the Thirteenth Virginia Regiment upon the continental establishment in the year 1776 and continued with the regiment until the fall of 1778 at which time by the entire approbation of his Colonel he went with his command into the western frontier where he continued in actual service until the close of the war making a period of actual service upon the continental establishment of 6 or 7 years. This deposition of itself would be amply sufficient to satisfy every person who is personally acquainted with Captain Hook, and when corroborated by the corresponding testimony of four of our most respectable citizens it is anxiously hoped that the proof will be satisfactory.

Captain Springer knew Captain Hook to be in the Continental service for three successive years and is confident that Captain Hook continued in the said service until regularly discharged but at what time he was discharged Captain Springer is not certain, this point, however, is made sufficiently clear by the testimony of James Seales, Esq. who deposes that Captain Hook continued in the service until the close of the war.

The deposition of Captain Stokely and likewise that of Joseph Gwyne so far as they were acquainted with the Services of Captain Hook strictly accordes with his affidavit and that of Squire Seal's.

Your memorialist is personally acquainted with Captain Hook, Captain Springer, Squire Seale's, Captain Stokely and Jos. Gwyne, and knows that they are all gentlemen of respectability in whose veracity full confidence is placed by those who know them; he therefore, trusts that the testimony herewith forwarded together with that heretofore transmitted will be sufficient to remove every doubt respecting the Justice and Legality of Captain Hook's claim for Land Bounty and that your Honourable body will direct a warrant or warrants to be issued, for the quantity of Land to the said Captain Hook to which he is entitled for his Revolutionary Services.

Rees Hill.

The undersigned would be happy to hear as early as convenient the decision of the Executive in this case. If not too much trouble by letter directed to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, if it can reach that place before the 25th instant; If not directed to Waynesburg, Green County Pennsylvania.

Rees Hill.

III

Pennsylvania,
Green County Ss.

Personally came, Captain James Hook aged Seventy-three years before me a Justice of the peace in and for said County and on his solemn oath did depose and say that he served some years previously to the year seventeen hundred and seventy six as a Militia Captain of the State of Virginia, that in seventeen hundred and seventy six he was appointed and commissioned a Captain of the Virginia line upon the continental establishment, and as soon as he had recruited a Company which was done in the same year he was attached to the thirteenth Virginia Regiment remained with the regiment until the fall of seventeen hundred and seventy eight at which time agreeably to a general order Colonel Brodhed was to have gone with his Regiment on to the western frontier, he being at that time Commandant of the thirteenth Virginia Regiment, Colonel Broadhead pursued his march westward as far as Fort Pitt where he halted for a while, deponant continued his march westward, (where his family resided) by the entire approbation of Colonel Brodhead, deponant continued in command on the western frontier until the close of the war fighting against the common enemy, never was re-attached to the State line after he joined the Continental line in 1776, always considered himself in the continental service, deponant was in many skirmish both in the eastern part of the Continent and the western, never was in but two general engagements, Brandawine and Germantown.

Sworn to November 21, 1822

James Hook, Senr. (Seal)

*Note: According to Frontier Forts of Western Penna., page 130, Vol. II, Colonel Daniel Broadhead arrived in Pittsburgh Sept. 10, 1778.

IV

District of Pennsylvania
Greene County Ss.

Before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County personally came Joseph Gwyne and on his oath did depose and say that he was acquainted with Captain James Hook of the County and State aforesaid in the Revolutionary War and well knows that Captain Hook belonged to the Virginia line on the Continental Establishment. This deponant served in the eighth Pennsylvania Regiment, but was acquainted with Captain Hook before either him or me went into the Service, deponant does not know at what time Captain Hook left or was discharged from the Service, but is well satisfied that Captain Hook continued in the Virginia line upon the continental until he had closed his Revolutionary Military Services. This deponant was an orderly Sargeant in the Eighth Pennsylvania Penna. Regiment, he is informed that Captain Hook has applied to the State of Virginia for his Military Land Bounty.

Joseph Gwyne Senr.

Sworn to November 14, 1822

V

Pennsylvania,
Fayette County

I do certify that I was acquainted with Captain James Hook of Greene County, Pennsylvania in the time of the Revolutionary War, and do know that he was a Captain of the thirteenth Virginia Regiment in the Continental line in the years of seventeen hundred and seventy six, seventy seven and seventy eight, and what time Captain Hook left the service I do not know but am well convinced that he never was transferred to the State line after he entered the Continental Service.

Uriah Springer

late Captain in the Virginia
line on Continental Establishment

26th November, 1822.

VI

Pennsylvania
Greene County Ss

Personally came James Seals, Esq. before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, who in his oath did say that he was acquainted with Captain James Hook in 1774 at which time said Hook was a Captain in the Virginia Militia. In 1776 said Hook was appointed Captain in the thirteenth Virginia Regiment. Captain Hook proposed to enlist deponant as first Sargeant of his company, deponant refused, offered to take an ensigns commission, was not appointed. Captain after recruiting his company was absent from the western country two or three years and deponant has been informed by good authority was in the battles of Germantown and Brandawine. Captain Hook returned to the western frontier and continued in Command as Captain, fighting the battles of his country against the common enemy till the war closed from the time Captain Hook entered the United States Service in 1776 he was as deponant then believed and as he now believes was in the Virginia line upon the Continental establishment.

James Seals

Sworn to November 23, 1822.

VII

Green County
in Ss
Pennsylvania

On the 14th day of November in the year 1822, Personally came into the Open Court of Common Pleas for said County of Green; Thomas Stokely, late a Captain of one of the Ranging Companies, for the Defense of the frontiers of Pennsylvania (near Pittsburgh);

And after being duly sworn deposeth and said that he the said deponant, was acquainted with Captain James Hook who was an officer of the thirteenth Regiment of Virginia in the Revolutionary War, upon the Continental Establishment of the Army of the United States, Raised and Organized in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six (and seventy seven) and I do verily believe that the said Captain James Hook continued to serve in the Continental Line until he was dismissed from Service, said deponant also well recollects that after the Territorial Dispute between Virginia and Pennsylvania was ended, and Green County was established in the southwest corner of Pennsylvania, that said James Hook was duly elected High Sheriff of said County of Green, as said deponant believes from a sense of the Service of said James Hook in the Revolutionary War -

This Deponant being taken a prisoner by the Indians in August in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one below the mouth of Great Miami and by the Indians conveyed to Detroit delivered to the British and by them sent over Lake Eary to Niagary, and from thence over Lake Ontaria and down the St. Lawrence river to Mountreal and Quebeck, and from thence sent by sea round to New York City, and there exchanged in January 1783. From which time to this time said James Hook has been and now is a residentor near to where Waynesburg Seat of Justice of Green now is And that during this deponient whole acquaintance the said James Hook has been generally esteemed according to said debonients Belief as a Good and respectable cizen; and as a gentleman of real good caractor.

Thomas Stokely

Sworn to November 14, 1822.

VIII

The final paper in connection with Captain James Hook, that this writer has seen, is Military Certificate #9869 dated July 19, 1867. (Va. State Library). An important part of this document is the container or envelope, which reads -

Military Certificate #9869 James Hook

Additional Warrant No. 9869 for
1237 acres issued on the 19th July 1867
to James Hook a Capt. in the Continental
line for Services from 1st of January 1776
to the 3rd of November 1783.

$6.68

Received July 19, 1867 Warrant above named of Register of Va. Land office.

Frederick Vincent,
Attorney.

Book 3, p. 596

The contents of the envelope consists of a Power of Attorney, dated July 12, 1867, from, "Mary Graves widow, formerly of City Point, now a resident of Norfolk County, Virginia" which was issued to "Frederick Vincent formerly of City Point but now of the City of New York" empowering him to act for her in

> "demanding and receiving from the Register of the Land Office of the State of Virginia, all warrants or parts of warrants to which, as the sole surviving heir of James Hook, a captain in the Continental Army of Virginia during the war of the Revolution I may be entitled ..... in addition to the Land Bounty heretofore granted by Virginia..... with authority, also, unto my said attorney to surrender said warrant or warrants at the General Land Office in Washington with a view to the substitution therefor of script under and by virtue of the Act of August 1862 and of the Act supplementary thereto".

A few days later, on July 16, 1867, the court of Norfolk County, Virginia ordered "it to be certified upon satisfactory evidence this day produced before it that Mary Graves formerly of Prince George County, now a resident of Norfolk County is the only surviving heir at law of the late James Hook, a captain of the Virginia line on Continental establishment during the war of the Revolution."

Mary Graves quite obviously was a daughter of Captain James Hook. Evidently she took the House of Delegates of Virginia at its word when, in its session of 1835-36, it declared that Capt. Hook's heirs were entitled to more bounty land than had been given him in 1824. (Document 6, page 90, House of Delegates, 1835-36 filed in Virginia State Library.)

The importance of the document is the fact that it gives some evidence of the tenure of Capt. Hook's services in the war, that is from January 1, 1776 to November 3, 1783. Also, that it quite certainly establishes Mary Graves as one of his daughters. Of course, he was not in the fighting line all of this time. It is definitely known that he had been serving as Captain of a Militia Company some time before receiving his commission as Captain in the Continental Line, which according to the muster roll of his Company, was on December 19, 1776. It is very likely also that after returning to the western frontier with Colonel Brodhead, in the summer of 1778, that he only saw service when alarms were sounded

or when a move against bands of threatening indians was contemplated, and then not always as the Captain of an organized company, but as a member of Col. Brodhead's command, subject to call to full duty if it should become necessary. But he was still an officer in the army of the United States and remained so until the Army was ordered disbanded in 1783.

The effort has been made to obtain such written evidence as may have been supplied the Court to prove the contention of Mary Graves that she was, indeed, the last surviving heir at law at that date of Capt. James Hook but without results. The Norfolk attorney who searched the record suggests that the evidence presented could have been oral with no transcript of it having been made and recorded. All the known children were gone, some long since, and Daniel the longest liver had just passed away on July 8, 1867, a bare four days before the Mary Graves' application was made so it is reasonable to suppose that the effort might have been made by someone having knowledge of the law and of persons who might be benefited by it to act promptly and file a claim before the last child should die. The possibilities genealogically of what the testimony could have revealed are very great but so far they have been nothing more than dreams.

The writer was disappointed that nowhere in the records summarized above was documentary proof found to support the family tradition that Captain Hook and his command were at Valley Forge during the memorable winter of 1777 and 1778. The records do prove that he received pay for part of the period which would imply strongly that he was, but to offset that are the muster rolls of the 13th Virginia Regiment which reported Captain Hook on furlough from October 1777 to March 1778. From his own affidavits, both for pension and bounty land, however, and from the affidavits of James Seal, it would appear that he was absent from his home during the whole period. Moreover, he received pay in January 1778. This is proved by an original roll in the War Department, Washington, D. C.

entitled "A General Pay Roll of the 13th Virginia Regiment Command^{d} by Col^{o}. William Russell for the month of January 1778". It records James Hook as a Captain in the list of "F and Staff officers"and stated the amount of his pay as L 94. S 15. d 0. (Photostat copy in the Virginia State Library, reference W. D. 247, 1.)

Another roll in the War Department, Washington, D. C. is entitled "A Pay Roll of Cap^{t}. James Hook's Company in the 13th Virg^{a}. Regiment commanded by Col^{o}. William Russell from the Commencement to the last day of September inclusive 1777". This roll shows that Captain Hook's pay commenced December 19, that he served 9 months and 12 days, and that he received L 141. S 0. d 0. (Virginia State Library W. D. 250, 1-5).

These records coupled with the affidavits of himself and James Seals in connection with request for Bounty land, would indicate that Capt. Hook remained in the East during the winter of 1777-1778. Although on furlough it is evident from the above payrolls that he received government pay to, and including January 1778 at least. He must, therefore, have been working for the Army in some capacity during that memorable winter. This suggests since he was a skilled woodsman, that he may have been message bearer between separated commands of General Washington's Army or a scout assigned to special and maybe secret duty, at special pay. It's an interesting point that ought to be cleared up.

One of the disappointing things about Revolutionary War history is the scant information that is obtainable about Regimental and Company commands. From the pension papers of Captain Hook, the 13th Virginia Volunteer Infantry on the Continental establishment was organized in the fall of 1776 by Colonel Crawford who was its first commander. Colonel Russel seems to have been its second commander and Colonel Brodhead its third.

The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography under title of "Virginia Soldiers in the Revolutionary War" says that the 13th Virginia Volunteer Infantry on the Continental Establishment was raised in the West Augusta District largely through the efforts of Colonel Crawford of the seventh. It formed a part of Muhlenberg's Brigade. In September of 1778, it was renumbered the 9th Virginia at the White Plains re-arrangement. The 9th was in service west of the Alleghenies in the spring of 1779 reporting one colonel, five captains and 275 rank and file of that year. The assignment to service on the western frontier, according to the above Virginia Magazine reference, explains why the 9th alone of the Virginia Continental Line was not captured at Charleston, May 1780.

Crumrine's History of Washington County, Pennsylvania, page 76 says that the 7th Virginia Regiment was recruited by Colonel William Crawford in the fall of 1775. It also says that the 13th was recruited by Colonel Crawford largely from the same district as the 7th.

Captain Hook was warranted 4,000 acres of land by the State of Virginia for his services in the Revolutionary War. The following reference (Document 6, page 90, House of Delegates, 1835-6) is on file in the Virginia State Library. "James Hook, Captain, Continental Line. He was captain in the 13th Virginia Regt. on Continental Establishment from some time in 1776 (the month and day not known) to the end of the war. (See the affidavit of James Seal and the certificate of Uriah Springer which are on file in the office of the executive department.) He received bounty land in 1824 'for the war' but a warrant issued only for 4,000 acres. His heirs are entitled to additional bounty land."

In the Military Certificate Book 3 at page 123 is a record of twenty warrants to James Hook numbered 6596 to 6617 inclusive (excepting 6599 and 6600)

each for 200 acres with the statement that said warrants were delivered to Hook's attorney, Joseph Sexton, on February 12, 1824. On the same page is a statement signed by Governor James Pleasants, Jr., and attested by J. W. Pleasants, which reads: "In Council April 18, 1823. It is advised that James Hook be allowed Land Bounty as a Captain in the Continental Line for Service during the war."

It will be noted that the warrants were delivered on February 12th, 1824, less than a month after Captain Hook's death. The latter, anticipating favorable action in the matter, deeded the moiety (half) of said land to three of his sons, James, Stephen and Israel, a few days before his death.

The history of all wars lays uncommon stress upon the valor and sacrifices of the soldier who bore the arms. In the glory of these achievements one is apt to forget mothers like Mary Hook who remained at her frontier home in Western Pennsylvania caring for a family of small children and enduring privations and hardships that would try a heart of steel. We may speak of Valley Forge, we may honor the names of those brave patriots who fought in the defense of their country, but where do we find in all the pages of history an example of sacrifice and devotion that equals that of the brave mothers who, like Mary Hook, lived at the very edge of civilization, braved the dangers of starvation and protected the family and home while their husbands and sons were away to war? Any one who would take the trouble to read the history of Southwestern Pennsylvania between 1776 and 1779 may properly ask the question - do human beings like Mary Hook any longer exist?

On March 1, 1780, James Hook purchased 400 acres of land located on Ten Mile Creek from David Owens. The consideration was 2,000 pounds lawful money of the State of Pennsylvania.(Deed Book B, Vol. I, p. 60, Wash. Co., Pa.) The tax list of Washington County in 1781 lists James Hook as owning 400 acres

of land, two horses, three cattle and four sheep. (Vol. 22-3 series Penna. Archives.)

A deed dated May 20, 1785, in Washington County (Deed Book B, Vol. I, p. 133, Wash. Co.) conveyed 400 acres of land to James Samuel Hook of Frederick County, Maryland. The conveyor is described as Captain James Hook of Ten Mile settlement of Washington County, Pennsylvania. Again on May 25, 1785, Captain Hook conveyed to James Samuel Hook of Frederick County, Maryland, 200 acres of land on the south fork of Lower Ten Mile Creek in Washington County. (Deed book B, Vol. I, p. 135, Washington Co., Pa.)

Captain James Hook and James Samuel Hook were cousins. The above land is now a part of Greene County, Pennsylvania, which was formed out of the southern part of Washington County by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania dated the 9th day of February, 1796.

Old court records in Washington, Pennsylvania state that Captain James Hook received a license to keep a tavern in Morgan Township in 1789; also that he owned a mill on Whitley Creek before 1790.

On November 8th, 1796, the appointment of James Hook as the first sheriff of the new county was confirmed by the governor of the state.

On May 30, 1797, Greene County records (Deed book I, p. 125, Greene Co., Pa.) a deed issued from James Hook, Senior and his wife Mary to John Snowden Hook of Allegany County, Maryland. The grantor and grantee of this deed were brothers and a witness was Samuel Hook, son of the grantor.

Other deeds prior to 1800 in Greene County show James Hook, Senior and James Hook, Junior, as grantees to land in Greene County. A lot in the new town of Waynesburg was conveyed to James Hook, Senior, very shortly after Greene County was formed.

At the risk of appearing repetitious I shall copy verbatim a written statement recently received by me from the late Howard L. Leckey of Waynesburg concerning the later land transactions of Captain James Hook.

> "The dealings of Captain James Hook in local land are disclosed in the several warrants from the State, and by deeds of record. "Smithfield" a tract of 112 acres situated near his Owens Run property was warranted to him April 7th 1798. This land was later patented to Sylvanus Smith. On September 19th 1793 he purchased a part of "Mt. Pleasant" originally patented to Nathaniel Hughes. This he sold to his son Stephen Hook on November 7th 1800. On April 9th 1795 he bought "Sugar Camp", a tract of land on the Tenmile opposite the mouth of Coal Lick, from William Hays and wife Ann. By various deeds, including one to his brother John Snowden Hook on May 13th 1797, Captain James Hook disposed of this tract of land. When Waynesburg was laid out by the Commission appointed for that purpose, Captain James Hook bought two choice lots, and then on November 27th 1800 sold them to the first owner of "Eden" (on which Waynesburg was built) Thomas Slater. By a deed of August 16th 1799 Captain James Hook bought out Isaac Sharp's interest in a tract of land on Richard Jackson's Run, originally warranted to Mainyard Rockhold. He procured the patent for this tract of land, the original of which is still preserved and owned by the present owner, Mr. Harvey Pratt. Captain Hook sold parts of this tract to Benjamin Smalley and Aquilla Knight. The tract of land west of "Sharp's Rake" and situated on Willey's Run (now Purman Run) also passed into the hands of Captain James Hook in company with Isaac Jenkinson. This tract known as "Sharp's Delight" was purchased on April 4th 1790, and joined up with land of John Jones. A tract of land owned by Captain Hook, and located on the South bank of Tenmile Creek, near the present home of Don Hampson was sold by him to James Hook Jr. on November 27th 1800. This was probably the tract on which Richard Jackson and the Hathaways had built the first grist mill at Fort Jackson.
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> There were other land transactions by Captain James Hook, but by this series of deeds it can be pointed out that the sons of Captain Hook, who remained by their father, were well provided for by the time he retired from active business. When the new County was formed, the governor of Pennsylvania commissioned Captain Hook to be the first sheriff of the County, an office he held for the customary three year term, until 1799. Nine years later Barnet Rinehart, son-in-law of Captain James Hook was elected to the same office."

In 1875 and 1876 the editor of the "Waynesburg, Pennsylvania Republican", Mr. L. K. Evans, published a series of historical sketches of early life and events in Washington and Greene Counties, Pennsylvania. In August, 1896, "The Woman's Centennial Paper" was published in Waynesburg to commemorate the one

hundredth anniversary of the founding of Greene County. These publications contain much information relating to the Hook families, some incidents of which are applicable to this history. In Article No. 22 by Mr. Evans appears the following anecdote pertaining to Captain James Hook that must have occurred about 1775 or 1776.

> "It appears that John Minor and Jacob Vanmeter, both holding Justice of the Peace Commissions from the Governor of Virginia, had visited Fort Jackson on some business connected with the public interests of the settlement. Whilst making known their errand they were surrounded by all the male inhabitants of the fort. Among them appeared the redoubtable Joe Archer, a rough, burly fellow, and at this time with his hands and clothes besmeared with blood. Jas. Hook, the grandfather of Capt. Jesse Hook, who now owns the fort premises, asked him what was the matter. He made answer, 'I have been marking hogs,' and placing his hand with an open knife in it to Hook's ear, he said, 'would you liked to be marked?' Hook gave a sudden jerk, and by some means Archer's knife came in contact with his ear and actually took off a slice. Hook considered that carrying a joke too far, and struck Archer. When a fight became imminent, Jacob Vanmeter being a rigid Baptist, as well as a Justice, interferred and commanded peace. Minor, however, regarding the act as a piece of barbarism deserving punishment, succeeded in beguiling Vanmeter into a cabin and entertaining him there whilst the fight was renewed and fought to the bitter end. Hook being long winded and tough, finally got the better of Archer and after a long and desperate struggle succeeded in biting a piece out of Archer's ear fully as large as had been cut off his own. This appearing to all the bystanders as the one handsome thing to do, the belligerents were separated and the difficulty stood adjudicated for all time to come. Thus the god of battles was arbiter of peace and might the measure of justice."

An interview with Mrs. Margaret Strawn, an old lady of nearly one hundred and three years, was published in 1896 in the "Woman's Centennial Paper" above referred to. The old lady was asked for a story of early days and the following is the one she told:

> "Betty Storen and Betsy Manning went to the still-house and got a half-gallon jug of whisky. Who kept the still-house? Let me see - Duvall - Leonard Duvall, and they crossed the creek on the ice, going over to the still-house, and when they came back they thought they could cross it well enough down below. But there must have been an air hole and they both got in. Betty went down and Betsy called her daughter to help her, and she got her by the hand and pulled her in too. They got them out, Betty was drowned and the little girl was dead, but Betsy was still alive and asked for her jug. She died in a little while. But Jim Hook would not let them be buried in the graveyard, because they were drunk, and they were buried close on the hillside in some bushes."

The story recited by Mrs. Strawn is very interesting from the fact that if true, it indicates that Captain James Hook must have had a change of heart since the Whiskey Insurrection in 1791-93. During those memorable years Captain James Hook was interested with several other prominent people in the neighborhood in a distillery. There are no records so far as I have seen that prove for sure that he owned one, or that he partially owned one, but Professor A. J. Waychoff, a careful investigator, has written that he did, also that together with Reverend John Corbly, Esquire Sedgwick and one William Crawford, (not Colonel Crawford who commanded the 13th Virginia Regiment) he prominently opposed the excise tax of March 3, 1791 that the Congress had imposed on spirituous liquors. These men were, in fact, the leaders of the sentiment against the new law in the neighborhood. The law had also been bitterly opposed and debated in Congress, and none less than Thomas Jefferson called attention to its odious nature and strongly applauded the popular clamor against it. So serious was the uprising of the people that the government sent soldiers to restore peace and see that the law was enforced. When the soldiers arrived, Corbly, Sedgwick, and others, were arrested and taken to Philadelphia for trial. Captain Hook was too foxy for them and took to the woods and remained there until the excitement was over and the soldiers gone. Professor Waychoff wrote that during his hiding, his daughter Sarah kept him supplied with food.

Professor Waychoff further stated that Captain Hook, along with Albert Gallatin, Colonel John Minor, John Cannon, William Crawford and others, were prime movers in calming the public clamor when the rebellion was crushed and did so despite the fact that they had been leaders in abetting the revolt in the beginning.

The late Howard L. Leckey in an account of Captain James Hook written as one of a series of admirable articles on the "Tenmile Country" for the "Waynesburg Republican" but not published before his untimely death said,

"Waychoff says that on March 2, 1811 some thirty civic minded men met in Waynesburg for the purpose of establishing a subscription school. It was agreed at this meeting to purchase from Snowden Slater a half of a quarter of an acre of ground situated on land adjoining the "Common" at Washington Street. (Site of the Northside School Building) This schcol was to be forever known as the 'Franklin School House'. (Has Waynesburg forgotten this charge?) A building of brick with stone foundation, twenty six feet by eighteen feet and eight feet high was to be built. The specifications called for six windows of nine lights each, three in front and two in the rear with the other on the east side. James Hook was one of the subscribers. The following year his son, James Hook, Jr. became one of the members, replacing his ageing father. John W. Meredith was the first teacher mentioned in the minute book."

Captain James Hook left no will but two documents dated January 19, 1824 (Deed book 5, p. 241, Greene Co., Pa.) served the same purpose. One conveyed to his sons James, Stephen and Israel Hook, the moiety in land granted to him by the State of Virginia for his services as Captain in the Revolutionary War. It reads as follows:

"Whereas, 4,000 acres of land was granted to me by the State of Virginia for my services as a Captain in the Revolutionary War, 2,000 acres of which I gave Colonel Rees Hill for his trouble in procuring the same.

"Now know all men by these presents, that in consideration of the natural love and affection and the many good offices rendered to me by my son James Hook, I do hereby convey unto him all my right, title, claim and interest in and to 1,000 acres of my moiety of said land.

"To have and to hold the same, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. The residue of my 2,000 acres of said land I give to my two sons, Stephen and Israel Hook to be equally divided between them. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four."

Signed James Hook (Seal)

The second document, anticipating death, conveyed to his son James Hook all of his personal property. The following is a copy.

"I James Hook Senior, now living with my son James Hook Jur. and am low of health and weak of body but of sound mind and understanding (praised be to God for it) and in all probability will not live long in this world and to recompense my son James Hook for his affectionate care of me during my illness I do hereby in case of my decease leave him all my personal property now in his possession together with all monies accompts, notes, bonds or other demands, that may be lawfully coming to me: In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty four."

Signed James Hook

About 1818 Captain Hook married his second wife who is mentioned in his application for pension, filed in 1821. According to the history of the Graham-Grimes family of Greene Co. Pennsylvania, she, very probably, was Rebecca Miller Roach, the widow of George Roach who died in Monongahela City, Pennsylvania, April 10, 1807. Mrs. Roach then moved to Waynesburg, Pennsylvania to be with her sister Mrs. Henry Shearin where she married "Mr. Hook of Waynesburg, Pennsylvania." She was born in 1756, (Capt. Hook's pension statement would make it 1766) the daughter of William and Mary (Smith) Miller of Baltimore, Maryland, and died in Waynesburg May 29, 1823. There was no issue by second marriage. Issue by first marriage, nine known children as follows; order of birth not certain.

(1) John Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(2) Samuel Hook^5.

(3) James Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(4) Israel Hook^5.

(5) Sarah Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(6) Stephen Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(7) Daniel Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(8) Arthur Hook^5, See Part IV for his family.

(9) Thomas Hook^5.

(10) Mary Hook^5, a Mary Graves, on July 12, 1867 represented herself to be "the last surviving heir of Capt. James Hook before the County Court at Roanoke, Va. (Military Cert. No. 9869, James Hook, Va. State Library.) Also see page 56 of this book.

(11) and (12)^5. It has been said Capt. Hook had one daughter who married a Ferre and another who married a Slater, but no records have been found.

JOHN SNOWDEN HOOK

John Snowden Hook[4], son of John Hook[3], (James[2], Thomas[1]) and brother of Capt. James Hook was b. in Frederick Co. Md. about 1752; d. at Cumberland, Md. 1825; m. Aug. 12, 1778 in Frederick Co. Md. Elizabeth Ward. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, enlisting August 8, 1776 under 1st Lieut. Clement Holiday. He and his family moved to Allegany County, Maryland, about 1786 and settled in Cumberland where he acquired much land and became a prominent and highly respected citizen. His Will written September 6, 1825, was probated in Allegany County, Maryland, November 14, 1826. It mentions sons James, Rezin V., and Elias. His will also mentions three sons of Rezin V. and one of Elias. He had three other sons, Isaac S., who died 1805, John L., and Greenbury Simpson Hook.

Children:

(1) James Hook[5], b. in Frederick Co., Md., Nov. 26th, 1782; d. near Cumberland, Md., May 17, 1845; m. Oct. 1, 1803, Kezia Lynch in Frederick Co., Md., b. Dec. 4, 1779; d. May 8, 1858. He was 1st Lieut. in Capt. William McLaughlin's Company in War of 1812. Family lived near Cumberland, Md. (See forward for children.)

(2) Isaac S. Hook[5], d. 1805; m. Mar. 14, 1803, Rebecca Tomlinson.

(3) Elias Hook[5], b. 1785; d. 1812; m. Aug. 23, 1811, Margaret Crabtree. Issue: James Hook, mentioned in his grandfather's will.

(4) Rezin V. Hook[5], m. Mary. He was a Corporal in William McLaughlin's Company in War of 1812. Of issue, as follows: 1, 2, and 3 mentioned in will of his father John Snowden Hook.

  (1) Samuel Lyeth Hook[6], m. Sept. 17, 1839, Mary Strong.

  (2) Elizabeth Rachel Hook[6].

  (3) John Snowden Hook[6], settled in Indiana.

  (4) Carolina Hook[6], m. Sept. 3, 1855, John Wilt. Of issue: John Wilt and Mary L. Wilt, the latter of whom m. George Michael.

(5) John L. Hook[5]. He was a private in William McLaughlin's Company, War of 1812.

(6) Greenberry Simpson Hook[5]. Moved to Arkansas. Issue: Greenberry Hook who m. Oct. 5, 1852, Nancy Burton. Greenbury Hook, mentioned in will of his Uncle James Hook[19].

CHILDREN OF JAMES HOOK[5] (son of John Snowden[4] and Elizabeth (Ward) Hook) (John[3], James[2], Thomas[1]) AND KEZIA (LYNCH) HOOK. Information obtained from old family Bible of James and Kezia Hook.

(1) John L. Hook[6], b. July 28, 1804, near Cumberland, Md.

(2) Isaac S. Hook[6], b. Dec. 17, 1806.

(3) Kezia K. Hook[6], b. June 29, 1809.

(4) James Samuel Hook[6], b. Oct. 26, 1811; d. Mar. 6, 1886; m. Ellen Black, b. Nov. 7, 1809; d. Aug. 29, 1884. Family lived near Cumberland, Md., until about 1840 when they moved to Somerfield, Pa. Issue, ten, as follows:

(1) James A. Hook[7], b. Sept. 21, 1840; d. Feb. 21, 1847.

(2) Ellen J. Hook[7], b. Mar. 15, 1843; d. Feb. 19, 1847.

(3) Catherine K. Hook[7], b. July 23, 1845; d. Feb. 25, 1847.

(4) Virginia S. Hook[7], b. Mar. 4, 1848; d. Aug. 9, 1862.

(5) Emma M. Hook[7], b. May 30, 1849; d. Nov., 1866.

(6) John Charles Hook[7], b. Aug. 9, 1851; d. July 26, 1890; m. Nancy J. Attleberger and had issue: (1) Ray; (2) Walter; (3) Sarah, all of whom living in Jefferson Co., Pa., near Brookville.

(7) Fidelia C. Hook[7], b. Nov. 26, 1853; m. Elisha S. Bowlin.

(8) George B. Hook[7], b. Mar. 16, 1856; d. Nov. 16, 1859.

(9) Theodore Melville Hook[7], b. June 3, 1859; d. Oct. 1925; m. Carrie Belle Easter, b. Feb. 7, 1867. Family lived in Somerfield, Pa. Occupation, merchant. Issue: five as follows: (1) Ethel Blanch Hook, b. Sept. 19, 1884; m. Major Percy E. Hammitt; (2) Lena Virginia Hook, b. Sept. 18, 1886; m. Jan. 1907, Sidney Ray Hunt; (3) James Samuel Hook, b. June 24, 1888; (4) Carrie Mildred Hook, b. Mar. 30, 1897; (5) Helen Roberta Hook, b. Aug. 24, 1909.

(10) Helen Hook[7], b. Dec. 26, 1861; m. John D. Meyers.

(5) Julia Ann Hook[6], b. Feb. 19, 1814.

(6) Ezra M. Hook[6], b. Dec. 5, 1817.

(7) Matilda Jane Hook[6], b. June 14, 1822; m. Sept. 14, 1841, Thomas D. Davis.

LAKIN FAMILY

That the Lakin and Lee Families of Prince George County, Md. intermarried is proved by the Queen Anne Parish records of that county which record the birth of five children to William and Ann Lee and the marriage of their daughter Martha Lee to Abraham Lakin on October 10, 1717. (See Lee Family) That the Abraham Lakin family was later connected with the Hook family is shown by the following "genealogy" written in 1847 by the Rev. Benjamin Lakin, 1767-1849; "in my 80th year" for his nephew John Lakin. His letter follows:*

> "I have here given the genealogy of our family and connections: as far as I can attain to the family of the Lakins, they came from England, and are perhaps of the Saxon stock, as I find in Mr. Wesley's journal, he mentions coming to a place called "Lakin Heath". The Fees, I think, are from either England or Wales.
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> "The Lakins sprang from Abraham and Martha Lakin. Their sons were Abraham, Joseph and Benjamin. They had some daughters but I know not their names; - one of them was married to a man by the name of Leith from whom, on the Mother's side, the younger family of the Fees sprang.
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> "Abraham had two sons; Daniel and Abraham. I know not whether he had any other children. They lived in Frederick County, Maryland. What their posterity is I know not.
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> "Joseph was married to Elizabeth Fee. They lived in Frederick County, Maryland. They had three children - John, Samuel and Mary. I know not whom John married. He had no children. Samuel married Sarah Musgrove, and Mary married John Aldrige. These with their father moved to Ohio. You know their families and if you see cause you can trace them up.
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> "Benjamin Lakin, the youngest son of Abraham and Martha, was born March 29, 1739, and was married October 23, 1760, to Rachel Fee, daughter of George and Parnel Fee. Rachel was born April 11, 1739, and died Dec. 30, 1811. Benjamin Lakin died April 6, 1776. They had a son named William; and a daughter Elizabeth, who died in childhood.

*Note: The original letter has been misplaced, but many copies of it had been made for various members of the Lakin family so that its authenticity is unquestioned.

The following were their other children: Thomas, John, Benjamin, Joseph, James and Rachel, their sister. Thomas married Priscilla Sullivan, moved from Montgomery County, Maryland, where my Father lived and died and settled in Beans Cove, Bedford County, Pa., where he raised a large family, and afterwards with some of his children moved and settled in Harrison County, Ohio, where he died some years since.

"John Lakin married Elizabeth, the daughter of John and Martha Ankrom, they had besides Elizabeth: - Deborah, Sarah and Martha and two sons, Richard and William. If there were any others I have forgotten them. Martha Ankrom's maiden name was Wells, sister to Thomas and William Wells, who lived on Middle Island. John and Elizabeth's children were: - William, Martha, John, Benjamin, Rachel and Elizabeth. You can trace your brothers' and sisters' children.

"Joseph Lakin married Mary Slater, by whom he had children: - Thomas, Eleanor, Benjamin, John and James. This first wife died, and he married the second time Margaret Simmons, by whom he had Joseph, Leonard, William, Wesley and daughters, Mary, Rachel, Margaret and Elizabeth.

"All my brothers and sisters are gone, and I am left alone in my 80th year, and how soon I shall go I know not.

"Our maternal line commences in George and Parnel Fee. As far as I know they had one son and two daughters: - Thomas, Rachel and Elizabeth. Of the daughters I have already spoken. Thomas was twice married. His first wife was a Thrasher, by whom he had children: - George and John and Mary and Ruth. George married an Archer, John married Elizabeth Bradford and Mary married Richard Jackson, the proprietor of Jackson Fort on Ten Mile Creek. Ruth married an Owens. Thomas Fee's second wife was Sarah Leith, a niece of my father, by whom the family of Fees on this side of the Ohio came. Mary Leith, a sister of Sarah, was married to James Hook, the father of John Hook. They had a large family.

"I have given you as much as I can recollect of our family."

The origin of the Lakin family, from whence sprang Abraham who married Martha Lee, is shrouded in a great mass of tradition. The gist of this tradition is contained in the following extracts of old letters in possession of James S. Lakin of Charleston, West Virginia. They are being included in this genealogy simply as leads or clues to assist others who may desire at some later date to solve the ancestral riddle of the early Lakin family. The author of the first letter quoted from hereafter is not known but he is said to have been one of the Maryland Lakins.

"Two Lakin brothers crossed the ocean and landed at St. Mary's, one went to Baltimore, the other, Joseph, sailed up the Potomac and located in Frederick County, so Joseph Lakin came direct from London, England, to the colony of Maryland. There was a land office established in 1778 and I see by the resurvey that Abraham Lakin had two 83 acres deeded to him. All deeds and papers were recorded in London, England, previous to 1778. This is all the information I can give you, except that Joseph Lakin came direct from England and was the first Lakin settler. He has no tombstone and I do not know the location of the first family graveyard, the second one is in good condition."

"There was a land permit issued to Joseph Lakin bearing seal of King Charles II of England in 1683 for land in Maryland." The grant or permit to Abraham Lakin was in 1729, for land in Pr. George's County, Maryland. The permit to Abraham Lakin for the tract called "Two Brothers" was in 1743 for land in what is now Frederick County, Maryland. A letter from Abraham Lakin says, "Our great grand sires, as the Indians were driven back, took up the land spoken of in the grant from King George III of England and known as "The Old Homestead", by blazing through the forest with a tomahawk. It was called in that day a 'Tomahawk or Hatchet Claim'. Many members of the older generation of the family are buried in the old graveyard on the Lakin Homestead, near Jefferson, Frederick County, Maryland."

The following is from a letter dated August 5, 1895, from Nathan Wright, Freeport, Ohio, when he was within a few days of his 77th birthday.

"I was in the habit of visiting Mother (Ann Lakin Wright) during the last few years of her life on her birthday anniversaries and during these visits we had frequent conversations on the long ago. I gained the following facts as to her progenitors; viz., that grandfather Lakin's father was Benjamin Lakin and his (Benjamin's) father was Abraham Lakin and that he (Abraham) came to America from England and that 'Lakin Heath' in the north of England was the home of the Lakins since time immemorial. Mother stated further that Abraham Lakin and his son Benjamin married into two noted families, the Hooks and the Snowdens, and that the Snowdens especially were very wealthy, I do not know which married the Hooks or which the Snowdens."

There was another Lakin family which settled in New England. It was founded by William Lakin in 1644. (See "The Lakin Family of Groton" by Manning.) It seems not to have had any immediate connection with the Maryland family. Both, however, originated in England.

ABRAHAM LAKIN[1] (The name is often written "Laking" in the early records and sometimes "Leakin".) with whom this record starts, lived in Prince George County, Maryland. He married October 10, 1717, Martha Lee, born June 20, 1699, the daughter of William and Ann Lee, also of Prince George County. (See Lee Family.) His will, signed by a mark and written "Laking", dated November 25, 1744 (Liber No. 1, f. 342, Upper Marlboro, Md.) was witnessed by Robert B. Lyth, sic, Thomas T. Mackbee and Jane E. Mackbee. It mentioned his wife Martha and sons Abraham, Joseph and Benjamin. It bequeathed to his sons Joseph and Abraham Laking, sic, land "lying on the West Side of Kittocton Mountain" which is now Frederick County. He directs that his personal estate shall be divided equally between his ten children, but does not name them. He must have died before August 28, 1745 because a guardian bond on that date binds Martha Laking, sic, Robert Lyeth and Abraham Laking, sic, in behalf of the ten children all named and referred to as "orphans". (Guardian Bonds 1708, page 142, Upper Marlboro, Md.) The inventory of the estate amounted to 192 pounds, 13 shillings and 7 pence, was signed by John Diekeson and Larkin Pierpont as appraisers, and by Abraham and Joseph Lakin as relatives. It listed, among other things, 8 head of cattle, a parcel of hogs both young and old, 3 horses, spinning wheel and two cards, woolen wheel and wool cards, one man's saddle and one woman's saddle, 3 pair spoon moulds, a branding iron, a pocket book and spectacles, a parcel of old books, a new prayer book, a razor, household utensils, clothing, foodstuffs, corn and tobacco.

CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM AND MARTHA (LEE) LAKIN:

(1) Sarah Lakin[2] m. Robert Lyeth and of issue had two daughters; (1) Mary Lyeth, b. 1743; d. Jan. 30, 1815; who married Captain James Hook[7], b. 1749; d. Jan. 23, 1824, and (2) Sarah Lyeth who m. a widower, Thomas Fee, the son of George and Parnel Fee whose first wife was a Miss Thrasher by whom he had children as follows: (1) George who married an Archer; (2) John who married Elizabeth Bradford; (3) Ruth who married an Owens; and (4) Mary who married Richard Jackson who about 1772 became the proprietor of the property on Tenmile Creek near what is now Waynesburg, Penna., upon which Jackson's Fort was built in 1774.

Thomas Fee and his second wife Sarah Lyeth had several Children who lived in Ohio and Kentucky. In a deed to John Magruder, Sr. from Robert Lyeth (Liber EE, p. 310, Upper Marlboro, Md.) recorded Oct. 1st, 1747, Robert Lyeth is described as a planter of "Anarandell County in the Province of Maryland". The land was located in Prince George County near Rock Creek and was "laid out for 100 acres more or less". Signatures were witnessed by W. Diggs and Ninian Mariarte.

(2) Abraham Lakin[2], Jr. b. Oct. 16, 1722; m. Sarah (tradition says Sarah Hook) b. May 18, 1724. Family lived in Frederick County, Maryland. Abraham, along with a brother, Joseph Lakin, inherited from Abraham Lakin, Sr., a tract of land called "Two Brothers" located on the "west side of Kitocton Mountain" in what is now Frederick County, which was patented to Abraham Lakin, Sr., on April 1st, 1743. This land adjoined a tract of land called "The John and Sarah" which was later owned by John Hook[4].

A resurvey showed that the tract known as "Two Brothers" contained exactly 101 acres to which 144 acres of vacant land was added. In the resurvey the rights of brother Joseph were satisfied and the total acreage acknowledged and granted to "Abraham Lakin, his heirs and assigns forever" subject only to certain manorial rights (the land being located within the confines of the Manor of Conigochiege) by patent dated August tenth, 1753.

An unusual thing, genealogically speaking, appears on this interesting land document. On one of its folds was written in quivering hand the names and dates of birth of all of Abraham Lakin Jr.'s children, as follows: (1) Eleanor b. Jan. 28, 1745; (2) Deborah b. Dec. 5, 1746; (3) Benjamin b. Dec. 21, 1748; (4) John b. Dec. 28, 1750; (5) Sarah b. April 28, 1755; m. Jan. 22, 1774 Duckett Wells; (6) Abraham b. Dec. 29, 1757, m. July 18, 1788 Mary Ungleby; (7) Daniel b. Jan. 20, 1759, m. Jan. 30, 1787 Ann Sheckels; (8) Nancy b. Sept. 27, 1762, m. June 25, 1778 Abraham Deaver.

On August 20, 1771 Abraham Lakin, Jr. purchased from James Hook[4], called Jr., and his wife Mary, who was Abraham Lakin, Jr.'s niece, a portion of their estate called "The John & Sarah" probably the same that had been willed to them by James' father John Hook.

(3) Martha Lakin[2] who m. a Mr. Plummer.

(4) Joseph Lakin[2] m. Elizabeth, daughter of George and Parnell Fee. Family lived in Frederick County, Maryland, later moving to Ohio. Issue: (1) John who married; (2) Samuel m. Sarah Musgrove, lived in Ohio; and (3) Mary who married John Aldrige.

(5) Deborah Lakin[2].

(6) Elizabeth Lakin[2].

(7) Mary Lakin[2].

(8) Rachel Lakin[2].

(9) Benjamin Lakin[2], b. Mar. 29, 1739; d. Apr. 6, 1776; m. Oct. 23, 1760 Rachel Fee b. Apr. 11, 1739, d. Dec. 30, 1811; dau. of George and Parnel Fee. This family lived in what is now Montgomery County, Maryland, on land willed to Benjamin Lakin by his father. (See forward for children.)

(10) Ruth Lakin[2].

CHILDREN OF BENJAMIN LAKIN[2] AND HIS WIFE RACHEL FEE:

(1) William Lakin[3], d. young.

(2) Thomas Lakin[3], b. Mar. 26, 1763; d. Feb. 23, 1835; m. Jan. 15, 1782 Priscilla Sullivan, b. Apr. 8, 1757; d. 1833; dau. of Daniel and Mary (Lovejoy) Sullivan. The mother of Mary Lovejoy Sullivan was a Gaines. Family lived in Montgomery County, Maryland, then settled in Beans Cove, Bedford County, Penna. Later, family moved to Harrison County, Ohio, where both Thomas and Priscilla died.

Thomas Lakin[3], was a staunch Methodist and itinerant preacher whose labors were mentioned by James Armstrong in his book, 1907, "The History of the Old Baltimore Conference" and in "The Rise of Methodism in America" by John Lednum, 1859. He was, indeed, one of the frontier pillars of the church, moving westward with the settlers, finally dying in Ohio near Freeport. Issue of Thomas and Priscilla Lakin:

(1) Mary Lakin[4], b. Oct. 11, 1782; d. 1824; m. Archibald Blair.

(2) Elizabeth Lakin[4], b. Aug. 4, 1785; d. 1854; m. William Barthalow. Family lived at New Philadelphia, Ohio.

(3) Daniel Lakin[4], b. July 16, 1786; d. 1854; m. Theodasia Shreve. Family lived at Rushville, Ohio.

(4) Thomas Lakin[4], b. Nov. 5, 1789; m. 1st Elizabeth Long of Hampshire County, Va. Married 2nd Margaret Slats.

(5) William Lakin[4], b. Jan. 2, 1791; d. at Freeport, Ohio, Mar. 7, 1855; m. 1st Sarah Chapman at Flintstone, Md.; m. 2nd Jan. 11, 1836 Lewessa Packer. (See forward for children.)

(6) Anna Lakin[4], b. Aug. 24, 1792; m. Apr. 4, 1815 Moses Wright in Bedford County, Penna. Later lived near Freeport, Ohio.

(7) Rebecca Lakin[4], b. Nov. 14, 1794. She married Benjamin Robertson of Flintstone, Allegheny County, Md. Later moved to Tennessee.

(8) Benjamin Lakin[4], b. Jan. 16, 1796; d. 1821; m. Rebecca Blair.

(9) John Wesley Lakin[4], b. Apr. 7, 1798; d. 1862 in Cumberland, Md.; m. 1823 Eletha Willison of Flintstone, Md.

(10) Moses Lakin[4], m. Feb. 15, 1842, Jane Dryden of Harrison County, Ohio.

(3) John Lakin[3], b. Feb. 1765; m. Elizabeth, dau. of John and Martha Ankrom (nee Wells). Martha was a sister of Thomas and William Wells who lived on Middle Island in Tyler County, W. Va. Other children of John and Martha Ankrom were Deborah, Sarah, Martha, Richard and William. John and Elizabeth Lakin's children were: (1) William; (2) Martha; (3) John; (4) Benjamin; (5) Rachel; (6) Elizabeth, and the family lived later in Greene County, Penna.

(4) Benjamin Lakin[3], b. in Montgomery County, Md., Aug. 23, 1767; d. Feb. 5, 1849; m. Elizabeth Ray of Kentucky. No children. He was a noted pioneer Methodist minister, having followed the frontiers as far west as Indiana as early as 1803. His name is mentioned in McClintock and Strong's Cyclopedia, and early Methodist literature. It was he who wrote the letter setting forth the Lakin Genealogy published earlier in this sketch.

(5) Joseph Lakin[3], b. 1769.

(6) James Lakin[3], b. 1771.

(7) Rachel Lakin[3], b. 1773.

(8) Elizabeth Lakin[3], d. young.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM LAKIN[4] AND HIS FIRST WIFE SARAH CHAPMAN:

(1) Isaac C. Lakin[5], b. Feb. 14, 1814; d. Aug. 2, 1833.

(2) Nancy Eleanor Lakin[5], b. Oct. 13, 1829; m. William Lickey and lived at Gnaddenhutten, Ohio.

(3) Rebecca Cornelia Lakin[5], b. May 25, 1831; d. Nov. 3, 1883.

(4) Some other daughters[5], all of whom died young.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM LAKIN[4] AND HIS SECOND WIFE LEWESSA PACKER:

(1) Everton Thomas Lakin[5], b. Oct. 24, 1836.

(2) Calvin Harris Lakin[5], b. June 29, 1838; d. in Huntington, West Virginia, Feb. 23, 1918; m. Mar. 27, 1863 Catherine Finney, b. Jan. 19, 1843, the dau. of James and Sarah (Adair) Finney. He was ordained in 1862 in the Methodist Church and served the ministry for more than fifty years. Issue as follows:

(1) James Sansome Lakin[6], b. Mar. 1, 1864; d. Mar. 6, 1934; m. Nov. 14, 1889, Lura Olivia Lakin of Columbus, Ohio, dau. of George W. Lakin, son of Daniel, grandson of Daniel and great grandson of Abraham and Sarah Lakin. He received his education at Fairmont State Normal and Ohio Wesleyan University. Lived at Terra Alta, West Virginia, where he was engaged for a time in the mercantile and timber business, and was President and Director of the First National Bank of Terra Alta; also a Director of the Terra Alta Bank. Was Republican candidate for Congress from the 2nd District of West Virginia in 1905. Was appointed as one of the three members of the newly created Board of Control in 1909, and was President (except for 1917-19) almost to date of death. He was Chairman of the State Republican Executive Committee for 1912. His interests were many and embraced such important subjects as Human Welfare, Conservation, and The Southern Appalachian Research Council. He was First Lieutenant in Company M, First West Virginia Regiment, 1899-1908. Family lived in Charleston, West Virginia. Children: (1) James Offutt Lakin, b. at Terra Alta, West Virginia, Apr. 4, 1896; m. Dec. 1921 Marguerite Baker of Morgantown, West Virginia; issue, two daughters, Barbara Ann Lakin, b. Sept. 23, 1922 and Marguerite Baker Lakin, b. Dec. 9, 1925. Family lived at Charlestown, West Virginia; (2) Marion Elizabeth Lakin, b. Oct. 1, 1898; m. Nov. 7, 1922 to John Vickers Ray; issue, John Lakin Ray, b. Jan. 30, 1924 and Olivia Lakin Ray, b. Mar. 2, 1928. Family lived at Charleston, West Virginia; (3) Florence Catherine Lakin, b. June 24, 1903; m. June 1, 1929, Thomas A. Deveny, Jr.; issue Thomas Augustus Deveny, b. June 22, 1930. Family lived Charleston, West Virginia.

(2) Sarah Lewessa Lakin[6], b. Sept. 1, 1866; m. Jennings M. King, M. D.

(3) Virginia Lakin[6], died young.

(4) Anna Belle Lakin[6], b. Apr. 21, 1869; m. Apr. 21, 1892 Jacob Sheets.

(5) Joseph William Lakin[6], b. June 6, 1875; m. Maud Rinard.

(6) Finney Lee Lakin[6], b. Oct. 4, 1876; m. Charlotte Beverly Tyler.

(3) Roanna Lakin[5], b. May 15, 1840 at Freeport, Ohio; m. Mar. 31, 1864 Gordon Gilmore, Jr.

(4) Sarah Mellissa Lakin[5], b. Nov. 1, 1841; d. Sept. 10, 1928; m. Dec. 26, 1861 Samuel Holmes Taylor.

(5) William Lamborn Lakin[5], b. June 13, 1844; d. Apr. 19, 1875. Methodist minister. Died unmarried.

(6) Isaac H. Kurtz Lakin[5], b. Sept. 17, 1847, d. May 21, 1881. He was an officer in the regular army and was drowned in the Yellowstone River, Montana.

(7) Elizabeth Cooper Lakin[5], b. Sept. 6, 1850; m. May 11, 1871 Albert Carruthers.

'8) George Washington Lakin[5], b. Oct. 20, 1853; m. 1880 Amelia Bennet.

THE LEE FAMILY

WILLIAM LEE[1], the father of Martha Lee wife of Abraham Lakin, may or may not have been related to the famous Virginia family of that name. Colonel Richard Lee had a son William, baptized 1651, to whom, in 1663, he willed all his property "on the Maryland side whereon George English is now seated". William was about twelve years old at the time. The Lee Genealogy states that William of Richard Lee, probably married and probably left no male issue; also that he probably died before 1697-98. If he and the William of this sketch were one and the same, then he probably married in his late thirties for the first child of the latter was not born until 1689.

WILLIAM LEE[1] m. Ann, surname unknown, and lived in late life on 165 acres of land which was a part of Cold Spring Manor. It was located on the west side of the Patuxant River bordering a great branch called "ffendalls fresh". He acquired this property from Samuel Griffiths Aug. 1, 1699 and sold it "together with all edifices, buildings, backside yards, gardens, orchards with their land and every of their appurtenances" to John Garrard on November 25, 1705. He was referred to as a planter of Prince George County. He died prob. about 1727. The inventory of his estate was signed by Jane and John Lee as near relatives on Oct. 30, 1727.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM[1] AND ANN LEE (Queen Anne Parish Records, Prince George County, Maryland)

(1) Mellona Lee[2], b. June 1, 1689.

(2) John Lee[2], b. June 19, 1691; m. Ellinor.

(3) Elizabeth Lee[2], b. Mar. 3,.1693-4.

(4) Margaret Lee[2], b. Jan. 14, 1695-6.

(5) Martha Lee[2], b. June 20, 1699; m. Oct. 10, 1717 Abraham Lakin. (See Lakin Family page 69)

There may have been other children.

Note: The James Lee who with Margaret Hook, "widow of James Hook[2] deceased" signed the latter's inventory on July 3, 1738 very probably was a relative of William Lee. James Lee also, along with Mary Lee signed the inventory of Benjamin Thresher as near relatives on May 18, 1741. Witnesses to the signatures on the Hook inventory were Lucy and Isaac Brooke. Witnesses on the Thresher inventory were John Jackson and Ninian Beale. It would seem that some relationship either blood or close association existed between the Hook, Lee and Thresher families and those of Brooke, Jackson and Beale.

A Partial List

of the

DESCENDANTS of

CAPTAIN JAMES HOOK

and his wife

MARY LYETH

CAPT. JAMES HOOK AND HIS WIFE MARY LYETH
Their Children and Some Descendants

PART IV

In a Hook Family History (James Hook and Virginia Eller) by this author published in 1925, the known family records, of only four children of Captain JAMES HOOK[4], namely James[5], Stephen[5], Daniel[5] and Arthur[5], were given. Shortly after the edition was published partial records of the descendants of two more children came to light. Mrs. Cora Davis (Rinehart) Martenstein of Oskaloosa, Iowa, furnished a record of the daughter Sarah Hook[5] and Mrs. E. C. Tremayne of Cleveland, Ohio, contributed a record of the first son John Hook[5] and his wife Hannah Morris.

An ancient grave marker inscribed "S.H.-D. 10, 13, 1797-A. 27" found in the Captain James Hook burial lot located on his old homestead about four miles southeast of Waynesburg probably refers to the son Samuel who, according to tradition, lived for a time in Missouri. Another stone inscribed M.H. with a heart between the two letters was also found. It could refer to another daughter, Martha or Margaret, or, what is more probable, was the minor or foot marker of the grave of Capt. Hook's wife Mary.

The son Israel Hook, who, together with James, Jr. and Stephen, is named in the deed dated January 19, 1824 which conveyed to these sons Captain Hook's moiety in land granted him for his service in the Revolutionary War, was remembered by his brother Stephen's granddaughter Sarah Jane Ankrom when he visited at Stephen's home in Perry County, Ohio, about 1845. Israel is also mentioned in other Greene Co. Pennsylvania deeds as well as in the records of the son John Hook supplied by Mrs. Tremayne. Israel's wife's name was Mary, but no record of any children has been found. He was living in Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, in 1824 when he was an Orderly Sergeant in an

organization known as the Franklin Rangers. (Rev. William Hanna's "History of Greene Co. Pa." pp 292-293) Earlier records refer to him as a blacksmith, and strong tradition makes him a friend of Daniel Boone and a partner of the Wetzel Brothers on some of their expeditions into the Kentucky country early in the 19th Century.

Thomas Hook[5], the youngest son, is thought to have married Mary Ann (probably) Adams and to have died without issue in 1837.

JOHN HOOK'S DESCENDANTS

JOHN HOOK[5], son of Captain James Hook[4], was born in Frederick County, Maryland, July 4, 1766, and died near Augusta, Bracken County, Kentucky, January 19, 1850. He married 1784 in what is now Greene Co. Penna., Hannah Morris, born January 4, 1767, probably in Ireland; died April 14, 1838. The wedding was objected to by John's parents so the very young couple, a few years after their marriage, moved to Bracken County, Kentucky, and settled on a farm near Augusta. Here they amassed considerable of an estate including about 40 slaves whom John, before his death, divided among all his children, except Rebecca who refused her portion and was given money instead. Old family records, including the John and Hannah Hook Bible, record vital statistics on eleven children. They also refer to John's brother Israel, who lived for many years in Kentucky; and Arthur, who, with Israel, visited their brother John at an early date. The Kentucky State Historical Register, Vol. 29, records that Gov. James Garrard, appointed John Hook of Bracken Co., a Captain in the 28th Regiment on Sept. 17, 1798. John Hook is also mentioned in the Rev. Benjamin Lakin manuscript. (See Lakin Family)

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND HANNAH (MORRIS) HOOK WERE ELEVEN AS FOLLOWS:

(1) Mary Hook[6], b. March 27, 1785; m. Samuel Poe; issue, (1) Samuel; (2) William; (3) Frances (called Frankie).

(2) Rebecca Hook[6], b. December 21, 1788; d. July 27, 1855; m. October 18, 1810 John Marsh, b. August 6, 1789, d. April 29, 1827. Both are buried in the Laurel Cemetery less than a mile from where they lived. John Marsh had brothers Thomas, Richard, William, Joseph and Marcus, and sisters Patience, Temperance, Elizabeth, Nancy, Mary and probably Rebecca, b. August 1771 who m. John Ferree. John Marsh's father was William Marsh (born near Baltimore, Md. in 1736; d. 1831) who married Patience Lemon. The young couple moved at an early date to Clermont County, Ohio, and settled on land near Laurel where the descendants of their son, John Hook Marsh, still (1930) reside. John Marsh, Sr. was connected with the River Trade and made many trips to

New Orleans on flat boats in the interest of his business. The family were skilled weavers of flannels, jeans and linens. Issue, six children as follows:

(1) Elizabeth Marsh[7], b. May 6, 1811; d. Apr. 9, 1879; m. June 16, 1832, James G. J. Johnson, b. Sept. 10, 1810; d. Nov. 24, 1874. Issue 12 children.

(2) James Marsh[7], b. June 5, 1814; d. July 14, 1816.

(3) Sarah Marsh[7], b. Aug. 2, 1817; d. Nov. 7, 1886; m. Oct. 23, 1856 Jesse Day; d. Mar. 10, 1879. Issue, Orpha, b. Oct. 1, 1857; d. Nov. 8, 1899, m. a Mr. Jacobs and had two daughters, and Mary E. b. Feb. 10, 1859; d. Feb. 20, 1860.

(4) Orpha Wells Marsh[7], b. Oct. 12, 1819; d. Aug. 20, 1876; m. July 28, 1870 Anthony Ireton, b. June 6, 1807; d. Mar. 26, 1878. No issue. He was married before to Martha Marsh, b. May 17, 1811; d. May 28, 1868; a cousin of his second wife, daughter of Thomas.

(5) William E. Marsh[7], (see forward for children) b. Aug. 24, 1821; d. July 12, 1854; m. about 1841, Nancy Jane Idlet, b. Feb. 24, 1825; d. Apr. 15, 1871. She was the daughter of William Idlet, b. 1792; d. 1855, and his wife Jane, nee Grimes, (1797-1865). William Idlet was a Scotchman and a sailor, was stolen by pirates and kept in captivity for seven years. His wife was from Baltimore, Maryland. William had brothers - James, George D., William H., Thomas, John Morris and Andrew J., and sisters Ruth, Hester and Mary E. James and George D. were in the Confederate service during the Civil War and the brother Andrew J. was in the Union Army and died in Andersonville prison in 1864.

William E. and Nancy Jane Marsh moved from near Laurel, Ohio, in 1853 to Darke County, Ohio, where they purchased from Robert Wilson a farm, lying two and one-half miles west of Rose Hill, for which they paid $600.00. Death claimed the husband a year later and Nancy Jane moved back to Clermont County where she remained a year. She then moved back to the farm in Darke County and later married James Lambert, a widower by whom she had two sons, both dying young. At death she was buried beside her first husband in Rose Hill Cemetery.

(6) John Hook Marsh[7], b. Jan. 14, 1825; d. Sept. 30, 1891; m. Jan. 30, 1853, Sophia Rebecca Corbin, b. July 28, 1832; d. Sept. 15, 1884. She was a sister of James H. Corbin who m. Rebecca Ellen Johnson, a niece of John Hook Marsh. Family lived on the old homestead near Laurel, Ohio where descendants still live. Issue as follows: (1) George W. Marsh; (2) Jerome Marsh; (3)John C. Marsh; (4) Harriett Florilla Marsh; (5) Almedias Marsh; (6) Tobias L. Marsh; (7) Sarah Elizabeth Marsh.

(3) James Hook[6], b. Jan. 16, 1790; d. Aug. 1, 1813. At death left wife and five children.

(4) Sarah Hook[6], b. Mar. 11, 1792; d. Jan. 1, 1860; m. May 5, 1825 John Taylor, b. Nov. 18, 1799; d. Mar. 30, 1887. Issue:

(1) Martha Ann Taylor[7], b. Apr. 10, 1826; d. Aug. 10, 1884; m. June 17, 1847, William Henry Lape, b. Dec. 18, 1821; d. Dec. 9, 1888. Issue: (1) Edward Walter; (2) William Rufus; (3) Carrie Louise and (4) Sarah (Sallie) Catherine.

(2) Jefferson Lawson Taylor[7], b. Feb. 18, 1828; m. Feb. 17, 1864 Mary Doan. Issue: one daughter, d. in infancy.

(3) Benjamin Franklin Taylor[7], b. July 16, 1831; d. July 9, 1883; m. July 27, 1858 Eliza Newell. Issue: (1) Martha Ellen; (2) Agnes Lorena; (3) Sarah (Sallie); and (4) Benjamin Franklin, Jr.

(4) Samuel Byron Taylor[7], b. July 16, 1831; d. May 10, 1932. Twin brother of No. 3.

(5) John Wesley Taylor[7], b. June 17, 1835; d. June 3, 1837.

(5) John Hook[6], b. Nov. 28, 1794.

(6) Eleanor Hook[6], b. Apr. 5, 1797; d. July 25, 1860, never married.

(7) Hannah Hook[6], b. July 17, 1799; m. Solomon Taylor. Issue: six sons and three daughters. One son named Charles W., said to be youngest child, b. 1839.

(8) Samuel Hook[6], b. March 6, 1801; d. Sept. 19, 1829.

(9) Elizabeth Hook[6], b. Oct. 13, 1803; d. June 14, 1880; m. Daniel Byers.

(10) Stephen Hook[6] (called Uncle Billy) b. May 12, 1806; d. Jan. 21, 1874; m. Nancy Heck. Issue: eight children of whom four died in infancy. Living issue as follows:

(1) James Morris Hook[7], b. 1831; d. February 1850.

(2) Charles Leroy Hook[7], b. Oct. 16, 1834; m. Celucia Reynolds. Issue: (1) Lona who m. Mr. Robertson and had two children - Mae and Alice; (2) Alice who m. Mr. Butler and had Mattie, Lusia and America. Live in Millersburg, Ky.; (3) Reynolds who m. Miss Gardner; (4) Stephen; (5) Charles Leroy, Jr., who m. Miss Neider and had children - Frederick and Margaret.

(3) William Johnson Hook[7], b. Mar. 10, 1840; m. Manora Elenor Byar. Family lives Augusta, Ky. Issue: (1) Maurice; (2) Howard who m. Sallie Best; (3) Edith; (4) Arthur; (5) William and (6) Russell who m. Bess Monyhon and have children John and William.

(4) John Quincy Hook[7], b. October 10, 1843; d. Oct. 12, 1909; m. Dora Ledholm of Minnesota.

(11) Martha Hook[6], b. Aug. 22, 1809; d. 1827.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM E. MARSH[7] (SON OF JOHN MARSH AND REBECCA HOOK[6])

AND HIS WIFE NANCY JANE IDLET:

(1) Mary Elizabeth Marsh[8], b. May 10, 1844; d. June 8, 1906; m. Jan. 23, 1862 Robert S. Hartman, b. Dec. 2, 1824; d. June 28, 1911. He was a widower with two children. Issue nine as follows: (1) Rosa May b. Nov. 19, 1862; d. Nov. 21, 1862; (2) William Turpen, b. Sept. 26, 1863; d. Nov. 19, 1879; (3) Lella Anna, b. Aug. 18, 1865; d. Dec. 1, 1865; (4) Sarah Abigal b. Oct. 14, 1866; d. Jan. 17, 1867; (5) Nora Petula, b. Sept. 20, 1868; d. Feb. 27, 1869; (6) Nannie E., b. May 23, 1870, married and living (1930) in Calif.; (7) Robert Marsh, b. Aug. 14, 1875; m. Mrs. Della Keller, living in Dayton, Ohio; (8) Walter G., b. Dec. 28, 1878; m. 1901 Anna Smith who d. 1927. One daughter Margaret, living Union City, Indiana; (9) Bessie C., b. Sept. 18, 1882; m. 1903 Chas. Friesner. Two children: Elizabeth d. young and Mariam. Family lives Union City, Indiana. Farmers.

(2) James L. Marsh[8], b. 1846; d. May 4, 1878.

(3) John M. Marsh[8], b. Feb. 13, 1849; m. Sept. 17, 1868, Hester Markwith, b. Aug. 19, 1848; d. about 1909. Family lived Greenville, Ohio. Issue; (1) Daughter d. young; (2) Elmer (3) William, living in Calif.; (4) Ira; (5) Frank, d. young; (6) Mattie (7) John who died a year after marriage.

(4) Manora Ann Marsh[8], b. Oct. 12, 1851; d. Dec. 27, 1894; m. Mar. 25, 1873 Ambrose Meredith Peters, b. Oct. 4, 1850; d. Mar. 26, 1925. Family lived on farm near Lightville, Darke County, Ohio, where all of their children were born. Issue: (1) Charles Edward, b. Jan. 14, 1874; d. July 12, 1907; unm.; (2) Rollie Roscoe b. Sept. 30, 1875; m. Julia Gilbert and lives near Los Angeles, Calif.; (3) Annie, b. Oct. 15, 1877; d. June 1, 1879; (4) Warren G., b. Apr. 20, 1880; married; (5) William Orla, b. Nov. 25, 1881, married, lives Ohio; (6) Blanch Mable, b. Jan. 28, 1884, m. Walter Crumbaugh, lives Oklahoma; (7) Clarence Webster, b. Oct. 4, 1886, married, lives Ohio; (8) Claude Francis, b. Dec. 23, 1889, married, lives Ohio.

(5) Thomas Edgar Marsh[8], b. Oct. 20, 1853; m. Dec. 24, 1874, Elva Inazetta Fisher, b. July 31, 1857; d. Nov. 4, 1922. She was a daughter of Ephriam Henry Fisher and his wife Sarah (nee Peters) who lived on a farm of 160 acres one-half mile west of Lightville, Darke County, Ohio. She is buried near her daughter Camma in the Shilo Springs Cemetery located four miles north of Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio. Thomas Edgar Marsh retired in 1900. Had been for many years a sales representative of White Sewing Machine Co. Later sold for other companies. Lived until 1900 in Darke Co. Ohio, then moved to Dayton, Ohio.

The Peters family is said to have descended from Ezra Peters, brother of Hugh the Regicide. The immediate family descended from Tunis Peters and his wife Francinah Peters (nee Adams) who were married in Virginia about 1775 and moved to Pickaway County, Ohio from Hampshire Co. (now W. Va.) about 1806. Their son Mahlon Peters b. 1791, d. 1868 m. 1814 Rachel Meredith, b. 1790; d. 1869, had a son James and a daughter Sarah, the latter of whom m. Ephriam Henry Fisher. Elva Inazetta Marsh was a daughter of this union.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS EDGAR MARSH[8] AND ELVA INAZETTA FISHER:

(1) Delbert Willis Marsh[9], b. Sept. 15, 1875; m. 1910 Cecelia Elizabeth Foley of Newburg, N.Y. Now living in Dayton, Ohio. Children: (1) Jack William; (2) Raymond Edgar; (3) Elva Marie; (4) Richard Meredith.

(2) Emma Orabelle Marsh[9], b. Aug. 16, 1877; m. 1894 Bertis Leoly Riffle. Living Dayton, Ohio. Issue: (1) Ralph Marsh; (2) Elva Lena; (3) Mary Helen; (4) Herbert Fulton; (5) Dorothy Louise.

(3) Margaret Forrest Marsh[9], b. Sept. 3, 1879; m. Feb. 5, 1921, Elijah Cuthbert Tremayne, b. Apr. 16, 1879 in Gweek, Cornwall, England. Son of John Henry Tremayne (b. Feb. 15, 1847; d. Aug. 15, 1904) and Ellen (nee Rowe) Tremayne b. Nov. 18, 1849; d. Aug. 1, 1897. Came to U.S.A. May 1897. No issue. Mrs. Tremayne supplied this record of the John Hook and Hannah Morris family and its descendants, in 1930.

(4) Minnie Iola Marsh[9], b. Oct. 21, 1881; m. May 25, 1902 Frank Joseph Bittner. Family lives Dayton, Ohio. Children: (1) Eunice Clara who m. Robert Parsonage and lives Santa Monica, Calif.; (2) Joseph Edgar who d. 1911; (3) Vuelta Marsh who m. Ray Ewing Coffield; (4) David Ernest.

(5) William Raymond Marsh[9], b. Dec. 24, 1883; m. Apr. 27, 1907 Audrey Gertrude Elleman. Resides Dayton, Ohio. Two children: (1) Winston William; (2) Carolyn Mary.

(6) Ruby Florence Marsh[9], b. June 11, 1886.

(7) Roscoe Fisher Marsh[9], b. Sept. 24, 1888; m. 1909 Mae Edith Schaeffer. Lives Dayton, Ohio. Children: (1) Virginia Mae; (2) James Roscoe. Resides in Dayton, Ohio.

(8) Drew Louis Marsh[9], b. Sept. 23, 1891; m. 1924 Mrs. Iona Maude Percival (nee Rose). Lives Cleveland, Ohio. No issue. He enlisted for service World War I July 11, 1917, served in France with 37th Division, Co. E, 112th Ammunition Train. Returned to U. S. April 2, 1919. Honorably discharged April 18, 1919.

(9) Harold Glen Marsh[9], b. Apr. 14, 1894; m. June Augusta Gibson. Lives Dayton, Ohio. Children: (1) William Thurston and (2) Thomas Harry.

(10) Robert Edgar Marsh[9], b. Apr. 16, 1899; m. Jan. 31, 1931 Mildred Jeanette Bushwaw. Upon being refused acceptance in U. S. Army several times finally enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, Mar. 4, 1918. He served in Canada and England 71st Battery, Canadian Field Artillery. Left for Europe June 4, 1918. Honorably discharged at Halifax, N. S., December 15, 1919.

(11) Camma Luella Marsh[9], b. Apr. 25, 1901; d. Oct. 21, 1918.

JAMES HOOK, JR.'S DESCENDANTS

JAMES HOOK[5], son of Captain James Hook[4] was born in what is now Greene County, Pennsylvania about 1772. He died in Greene County, Penna. after 1838. His wife Charlotte (Morris) Hook b. Mar. 3, 1775; d. May 13, 1827, was a dau. of Richard Morris, b. Jan. 3, 1748 and his wife Mary Seals. She lies buried in the old cemetery in East Waynesburg, Penna. The stone vault containing her remains reveals the above date of her death as well as her age at death, May 13, 1827, which was 52 years, 1 month and 19 days. Her maiden name was Charlotte Morris, according to the late A. A. Purman who, in an address on the Bench and Bar of Greene Co., Penna 1796-1896 stated that the Honorable Enos Hook, born Dec. 3, 1804 at Waynesburg, was a son of James Hook, Jr. and Charlotte Morris Hook.

ISSUE OF JAMES[5] AND CHARLOTTE HOOK AS FOLLOWS: (ORDER OR BIRTH IN ALL CASES NOT CERTAIN)

(1) Sarah Hook[6], b. Oct. 28, 1796; d. Aug. 2, 1849; m. Feb. 7, 1818 John Ganier; b. Nov. 6, 1795; d. Sept. 1, 1852. Four sons and three daughters.

(2) Jesse Hook[6] (see forward for descendants) b. Apr. 7, 1800; d. 1878. He m. July 14, 1825, Lucy Burbridge, b. Apr. 22, 1804; d. May 17, 1860. The family acquired much land near Waynesburg upon which the parents built several fine brick residences for their children. He was President of the Farmers & Drovers National Bank of Waynesburg. Also one of the founders of Waynesburg College. Lucy Burbridge was a dau. of Thomas and Catherine (Workman) Burbridge and a granddaughter of James and Lucy Workman.

(3) Benedict Hook[6], m. Apr. 29, 1824 Eliza Adams, dau. of Robert and Rebecca (Blackmore) Adams, b. Jan. 25, 1801. He died before 1846. Issue four:

(1) Robert James Hook[7] moved to Iowa and had issue: (1) William; (2) Austin; (3) Eliza.

(2) Charlotte Hook[7].

(3) Hiram H. Hook[7] moved to Iowa and had issue: Harry and Charlotte.

(4) Benedict Hook[7].

(4) Enos Hook[6], b. Dec. 3, 1804; d. July 16, 1841; m. Mary Dill, b. Mar. 1, 1808; d. Nov. 25, 1880. He was elected a member of Congress from Greene and Fayette Counties in 1838. Was re-elected 1840 and resigned just before his death in 1841. Both husband and wife buried in Greene Mount Cemetery, Waynesburg, Pa. No issue.

(5) John Hook[6] (see forward for descendants) b. 1806; d. June 26, 1838; m. Jan. 9, 1828, Nancy Adams, dau. of Robert and Rebecca (Blackmore) Adams, b. Mar. 4, 1809; d. Sept. 5, 1885. Family lived in and near Waynesburg, Pa.

(6) Thomas Hook[6], m. and had issue: Ignatius and Charlotte.

(7) Arthur Hook[6] lived in Cincinnati, Ohio.

(8) Shadrach Hook[6], m. Miss Adamson. Of issue: Charlotte Hook.

(9) Ignatius Hook[6], d. Sept. 10, 1826; aged 12 yrs., 11 mo. and 15 days.

(10) Hiram Hook[6], m. Sarah Compson. Of issue: Charlotte Hook.

(11) Charlotte Hook[6], b. 1817; d. 1889; m. Apr. 2, 1841 Charles Bower, b. Mar. 7, 1806; d. 1889 and had issue: three sons and three daughters, James H., Elizabeth C., Charles E., Oliver P., Luie V., and J. Frankie.

(12) Israel Hook[6], d. 1836.

CHILDREN OF JESSE HOOK[6] (SON OF JAMES[5] AND CHARLOTTE (MORRIS) HOOK) AND LUCY BURBRIDGE:

(1) Catherine M. Hook[7], b. 1826, d. 1826.

(2) Charlotte Hook[7], d. Jan. 21, 1866; m. Dec. 21, 1848, Dr. James Dorsey who was a physician and Methodist minister. Issue, four as follows:

(1) Jesse Dorsey[8], b. 1849; d. 1914; m. Emma Chalfant.

(2) Larkin Edward Dorsey[8], b. 1852; m. and has four children.

(3) Lucy Dorsey[8], b. Nov. 13, 1855; d. Oct. 25, 1924; m. Aug. 1877, F. P. Iams, a well-known attorney in Pittsburgh, b. 1852, d. 1917. Widow lived in Pittsburgh where she was very prominent as a lecturer and public-spirited citizen. A Pittsburgh paper said on the occasion of Mrs. Iams' death, "Probably no woman in America has left a greater impress upon her times than Mrs. Iams. Other women have led single great causes to success, notably in the suffrage field, but Mrs. Iams in the Legislatures of a score of states and the federal statutes has written her ideals into laws. In almost every field of humanitarian endeavor she has

been active. Laws and complete legal codes stand as monuments to her in the field of housing and tenement reform, the development of modern education and educational hygiene, public health work, marriage, divorce, desertion and non-support codes, the juvenile court and juvenile reclamation systems, industrial training, public safety, city planning, fire prevention, reformation of the penal code, especially as it is related to women, child labor law reform, women in industry, penal reform, labor legislation, disarmament, suffrage, sociological endeavor, charity and constitutional revision. She was not only a member, but an active leader in scores of welfare, business and social organizations. She was chairman of the National Budget Association and a member, by appointment of Governor Pinchot, on the Board of Directors of the Western Penitentiary." Issue two: (1) Donald Iams, b. 1878; m. Grace Donnan; four children; family lives in Sheraden, Pa.; (2) Jesse Dorsey Iams, b. 1884; resides, Tulsa, Okla.

(4) Sarah Frances Dorsey[8], b. 1856; d. 1891; m. Levi Atkins. Four children.

(3) James Burbridge Hook[7] (see forward for children) b. 1830; d. 1884; m. Nov. 1, 1849, Elizabeth Blaine, b. 1835; d. 1914.

(4) John Inghram Hook[7] (see forward for children) b. Sept. 14, 1834; d. June 25, 1896; m. Feb. 7, 1858 Rebecca S. Aiken, b. 1828; d. April 4, 1920. Family lived near Waynesburg, Pa.

(5) Catherine Hook[7], m. Oct. 30, 1856, Morgan R. Wise, son of Joseph and Pamela (Barrnard) Wise.

(6) Thomas J. Hook[7], b. Feb. 3, 1837; d. Jan. 26, 1858.

(7) Enos Hook[7], b. 1839; d. 1865.

(8) Frances M. Hook[7], b. 1840; d. Jan. 29, 1866; m. M. S. Kingsland and had issue, four children.

(9) Benjamin F. Hook[7], b. May 24, 1844.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HOOK[6] (SON OF JAMES[5] AND CHARLOTTE (MORRIS) HOOK) AND NANCY ADAMS:

(1) Enos Hook[7] (see forward for descendants) b. Feb. 4, 1832; d. Oct. 21, 1910; m. Elizabeth Inghram, dau. of Dr. Arthur and Elizabeth (Cather) Inghram; family moved to Nebraska, 1863. In 1866 they moved by ox and mule team to Colorado. In 1867 they moved to Leavenworth, Kan., where they settled permanently.

(2) Dawson Hook[7], m. Eliza Minor. Family lived in Leavenworth, Kan. Issue, three, as follows: (1) Margaret Hook, m. Capt. Fortescue; (2) Harry Hook; (3) Laura Hook who did not marry.

(3) Caroline Hook[7], m. Rev. J. N. Edmundson. Family resided in different places and at one time in Fayette, Ark. Issue: Anne and William, neither of whom m.

(4) William Hook[7], m. Minnie Euper. Family lived in Fort Smith, Ark. Issue: Guido Hock who d. unm., and Raphael Hook, who d. in 1923, leaving five children.

(5) Jane M. Hook[7], b. Mar. 10, 1836; d. Mar. 26, 1838.

CHILDREN OF JAMES BURBRIDGE HOOK[7] (SON OF JESSE[6] AND LUCY (BURBRIDGE) HOOK) AND ELIZABETH BLAINE:

(1) Susan Hook[8], b. 1860; d. 1909; m. James Roberts, b. 1859; d. 1910.

(2) Lucy Hook[8], b. 1864; d. 1918; m. John McCook, b. 1866; d. 1899. Issue, three, as follows:

(1) Bessie McCook[9], b. 1885; m. Reed Knox, a son of the late Hon. Philander C. Knox. Issue, four: (1) Philander, b. 1909; (2) John, b. 1913; (3) Reed, b. 1917; (4) Andrew, b. 1921.

(2) Sheldon McCook[9], b. 1889; m. Ina Ayres.

(3) Anson McCook[9], b. 1892; m. Georgia Geary, b. 1892. One dau. - Elizabeth L. McCook, b. 1910.

(3) Fanny Hook[8], b. 1866; m. Isaac Johnson, b. 1853; d. 1909. Family lived in Pittsburgh, Pa.

CHILDREN OF JOHN INGHRAM HOOK[7] (SON OF JESSE[6] AND LUCY (BURBRIDGE) HOOK) AND REBECCA S. AIKEN:

(1) Thomas L. Hook[8], b. 1859, d. 1945, m. Edith Hermandorfer, d. 1915. No issue. Family resided at Pittsburgh, Penna.

(2) George A. Hook[8], b. July 17, 1861, d. Dec. 14, 1942, m. Bertha L. Kincaid, b. 1870, d. 1936. Issue, six as follows:

(1) John Inghram Hook[9], b. 1889, m. Sara Iams, b. 1889. He graduated from Waynesburg College and is a prominent attorney in Waynesburg, Penna. and Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial District of Pennsylvania. Issue four children as follows:

(1) John I. Hook, Jr.[10], b. 1916, graduated from Princeton University in 1938 and Pennsylvania School of Law in 1941. Admitted to bar in 1941 and is now a practicing attorney in Waynesburg, Pennsylvania. Entered armed services in 1941 as a Private but rose steadily to the rank of Major. Married Bertha V. Scarborough, b. 1921. Issue, two as follows:

(1) John I. Hook, III[11], b. 1947.

(2) David Clayton[11], b. 1949.

(2) Billy Hook[10], b. 1918, d. 1923

(3) Robert Aiken Hook[10], b. 1924, attending, 1950, Carnegie Institute of Technology. Served in South Pacific, World War II, with a corps of engineers. Married June 30, 1951 Elizabeth Duncan of Waynesburg, Penna.

(4) James Hook[10], b. 1928, m. Joyce Schroeder, b. 1929, a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College. Now studying law.

(2) Hazel Hook[9], b. 1892, m. George B. Meyer, living at Palm Beach, Florida.

(3) Harold H. Hook[9], b. 1895, m. Ruth Harvey, b. 1900. Issue, one. John Lloyd, b. 1935, living at Elizabeth, New Jersey.

(4) Rebecca Hook[9], b. 1903, m. Phillip K. Schmuck, living at Steubenville, Ohio.

(5) Robert K. Hook[9], b. 1906, m. Helen Imler, issue, one, Sarah B., b. 1928, living at Meyersdale, Pa.

(6) Grace K. Hook[9], b. 1909, m. Samuel S. Johnston, living at Steubenville, Ohio.

(3) Jesse Hook[8], b. 1866; d. 1900; m. Rose Quinn of Pittsburgh, Pa. Issue, three, as follows:

(1) Mary Hook[9], b. 1891; m. Frank Keener. Family living in Pittsburgh, Pa.

(2) Virginia Hook[9], b. 1894; m. Mr. Sowash. Living in Pittsburgh, Pa.

(3) Wallace Hook[9], b. 1900. Living in Pittsburgh, Pa.

CHILDREN OF ENOS HOOK[7] (SON OF JOHN[6] AND NANCY (ADAMS) HOOK) AND ELIZABETH INGHRAM:

(1) William Cather Hook[8], b. in Waynesburg, Pa., Sept. 24, 1857; d. in Leavenworth, Kan., 1921; m. Louise Dickson. Moved with parents to Nebraska, 1863. In 1866 he moved with parents by mule and ox team to Colorado and a year later to Leavenworth, Kan., where he lived his long and distinguished life. Educated in public schools of Leavenworth and graduated, 1878, from Washington University Law School at St. Louis. He was a profound student and a successful lawyer. Republican in politics. Appointed 1899, U. S. District Judge for District of Kansas. Promoted June, 1903, by President Roosevelt to Federal Judgeship in 8th Judicial District comprising states of Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota, Colorado, Oklahoma, Montana and Utah. In this work he was associated with Judges Thayer of St. Louis, Sanborn of Minneapolis and Vandeventer of Cheyenne, Wyo. Was prominently considered for seat on U. S. Supreme Court. Issue, four children, as follows:

(1) Inghram D. Hook[9]; m. Mary Rockwell. He was Captain in Intelligence Div. of 89th Division in World War I; also Police Commissioner at Kansas City, Mo.

(2) Louise Hook[9].

(3) Dorothy Hook[9].

(4) Ruth Hook[9].

(2) Edward E. Hook[8], m. Ida Haag. Of issue, sons: Enos and William.

(3) Elizabeth I Hook[8], m. Dr. A. F. Yohe, d. 1925.

(4) Anna A. Hook[8], m. Henry J. Helmers, Jr.

(5) Lucy V. Hook[8], unm.

(6) Helen Hook[8], m. Victor A. Cain.

(7) Cora Hook[8], m. Harlan Feagans. Lived Leavenworth, Kan. No issue.

MORGAN MORRIS HOOK

MORGAN MORRIS HOOK, a descendant of James Hook[5], was born in Waynesburg, Penna. Jan. 21, 1822 and died at Oskaloosa, Iowa July 1, 1895. He married Sarah Lappin of Waynesburg, Penna. who, it is said, was raised in the home of Daniel Hook[5] after her mother's early death. The grandparents of Morgan Morris Hook on his mother's side were Solomon Eagan b. at Waynesburg, Penna. March 27, 1766 and d. at Oskaloosa, Iowa April 23, 1855 and his wife Mary Blackburn b. Feb. 7, 1776; d. Oct. 25, 1857. Children of Morgan Morris and Sarah Lappin Hook, order of birth not certain were: (1) Mary Hook who m. William Kissick; (2) Margaret Louise Hook who m. Mr. Kent; (3) Caroline Hook who m. Robert A. Kent, brother of next above; (4) James K. Hook; (5) Nettie Hook, m. Charles F. Greene and (6) a son who is said to have been a physician.

SARAH HOOK'S DESCENDANTS

SARAH HOOK[5], daughter of Captain James Hook[4], was born in Frederick County, Maryland; d. 1827. She married Barnet Rinehart, b. Sept. 8, 1777 in Waynesburg, Pa.

CHILDREN, THREE SONS AND TWO DAUGHTERS:

(1) James B. Rinehart[6], b. Aug. 22, 1802; d. in Oskaloosa, Iowa, Mar. 29, 1878; m. Dec. 26, 1826 in Waynesburg, Pa., Delila Eagon, dau. of Solomen Eagon and his wife Mary Blackburn. Delila Eagon was b. in Waynesburg, Pa. Mar. 21, 1805; d. in Oskaloosa, Iowa, Dec. 7, 1878. James Rinehart was a lawyer, having read law in the same office with President James Buchanan. He was also a judge in one of the lower courts. Issue, one son and five daughters, as follows:

(1) Solomon Eagon Rinehart[7], b. Oct. 19, 1827 at Waynesburg, Pa.; d. Jan. 18, 1875 at Denver, Colo.; graduated 1850 Jefferson Medical College; m. Oct. 19, 1852 Julia Marin Davis, b. Aug. 17, 1830 at Hallowell, Maine; d. July 21, 1918 at Oskaloosa, Iowa. Issue, one son and four daughters, as follows: (1) Alice; (2) Clarence; (3) Mary; (4) Nellie; (5) Cora Davis Rinehart, who supplied this record of Sarah Hook's descendants, b. Apr. 25, 1866; m. Dec. 24, 1895 Harry H. Martinstein, b. Dec. 12, 1864 at Oskaloosa, Iowa, where family resided. Children of Cora and Harry Martinstein as follows: (1) Marie Martinstein, b. Oct. 9, 1898; m. Apr. 5, 1924, Beverly Hollister Miles, b. Apr. 5, 1895. Children, Patricia; Edward; Beverly; (2) Alice Flora Martinstein, died young.

(2) Jane Rinehart[7], b. May 1830.

(3) Manerva Rinehart[7], b. Aug. 13, 1837.

(4) Leticia Rinehart[7], b. Dec. 3, 1840.

(5) Malicia Rinehart[7], b. 1843.

(6) Sarah C. Rinehart[7], b. July 29, 1845.

(2) Simon Rinehart[6], b. Feb. 22, 1805; d. Sept. 1, 1881; m. Hannah Morris, b. 1809; d. 1893; dau. of John Morris. Of issue, one son, James R. Rinehart, b. 1832; d. 1910.

(3) Samuel Rinehart[6], m. Mary Eagon.

(4) Lucy B. Rinehart[6], b. Feb. 10, 1810; m. James Green, b. Dec. 6, 1803; d. Mar. 20, 1879. Of issue, one son named William.

(5) Mary Rinehart[6], b. Dec. 1811; d. Apr. 17, 1847, aged 35 years and 4 mo.

STEPHEN HOOK'S DESCENDANTS

STEPHEN HOOK[5], son of Captain James Hook[4], was born in what is now Greene County, Pennsylvania, August 15, 1780, and died in Perry County, Ohio, March 3, 1856. He married Anna Subah Grant on August 10 or 12, 1803. (The day date in the old family Bible is blurred.) She was born January 31, 1780, and died in Greene County, Pennsylvania, October 8, 1816. (Bible Records) She is said to have been born in Connecticut and to have been a descendant of Matthew Grant who came to America from England in 1630 and settled at Windsor, Connecticut. Her Hook grandchildren thought their parents were second cousins of General Grant and evidence is strong that she was, indeed, the daughter of General Grant's grandfather and his first wife who was Anna Richardson. This would have made her children half cousins of the General rather than second cousins an error in use of terms that might easily be made. Unfortunately the Hook Bible which recorded her birth, marriage and death dates failed to state the names of her parents, and no town or church record of the birth of any child of Noah and Anna Grant has been found. Noah Grant did, however, move his motherless family from Connecticut to Southwestern Pennsylvania about 1790 and lived only a short way from the parental home of Stephen Hook. No writer of Grant Family History gives a daughter to Noah and Anna Grant. But their knowledge was obtained four score years or more after the mother's death and apparently from hearsay only, making it not at all unlikely that their informer thought of her sons only. One of these sons was Peter Grant born November 4, 1781 according to his own family record. Another was said to have been Solomon Grant whose date of birth was only approximately stated as "about 1779". Noah Grant was born June 20, 1748 and was a son of Noah and Susannah (Delano) Grant and, through the Delano Family, was a direct descendant of Richard Warren, one of the Mayflower Pilgrims.

In 1817, Stephen Hook moved his young and motherless family to what is now Carrol County, Ohio, where on February 5, 1818 he married his second wife Margaret Bodkin, b. July 15, 1791; d. 1842. He settled on a farm of 81.58 acres patented to him by the government on June 3, 1816, described as the cast half of the southwest quarter of section two, township fourteen, range six of Carrol County, Ohio. This

would locate it four miles south of the town of Carrolton. About 1840, he joined his sons Samuel and Sylvanus in the lower part of Perry County where the latter had acquired farms in 1838. In 1844 his other sons, namely, James Grant, John and Daniel, moved to what is now Vinton County, Ohio, and settled near Allenville.

In 1842, shortly after Stephen had purchased his new home in Perry County, his second wife died. His children tried to persuade him to give up his own home and live with them, which he did for a time. On November 17, 1846, he married his third wife, Rebecca Clum. There was no issue by this marriage. She did not live long and in 1848 Stephen, whose health was failing, sold his farm to his son Samuel with whom he lived until his death in 1856.

Stephen Hook was remembered as tall, broad-shouldered, clean-shaven, vigorous in speech and action and devoted to his friends and family. He was a great reader of the Bible and kindred books and a member of the Methodist Church. After moving to Ohio in 1817, he took an active interest in the schools of his community and by great personal effort managed to educate himself and family above the average of the frontier community in which he lived. He saw to it that his five sons attended school for a portion of each year, at least, until they were almost grown men.

CHILDREN OF STEPHEN AND HIS FIRST WIFE ANNA SUBAH GRANT:

(1) Samuel Hook[6] (see forward for descendants), b. May 5, 1804; d. July 27, 1873; m. Nov. 2, 1826 in Carroll Co., Ohio, Rebecca Carlisle (sometimes spelled Carlyle), b. May 5, 1796; d. June 6, 1871. Both are buried in Hemlock, Perry Co., Ohio. He was a cabinet and casket maker by trade and also a prominent farmer and land owner.

(2) James Grant Hook[6] (see forward for descendants) was b. in Greene Co., Pa., Sept. 7, 1805; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Sept. 4, 1884. He m. Mar. 6, 1828, Sarah Lyle, b. in Harrison Co., Ohio, Oct. 3, 1807; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Aug. 4, 1882. (See Lyle Genealogy, elsewhere in this book.) He and his family lived in Carroll Co., Ohio, until Sept. 1844, when they moved to what is now Vinton Co., Ohio, and settled on a farm near Allenville. The farm was a dense wood and their first home a log cabin. During the winter some

of the land was cleared for crops in the spring. They bought a few sheep and pigs and two milch cows and fenced off a lot to keep them in. Their first crop was very meager. A small patch of wheat and corn yielded a scant living through the second winter. The wheat was threshed with a flail and the corn was converted into hominy or ground into meal for johnnie cakes. The sheep were carefully sheared, and the wool, after being picked, was made into rolls from which it was spun into yarn by a large spinning wheel. Sarah Hook was very skillful in spinning and weaving cloth, and besides making most of the clothes for her family, also made the coverlets used on the beds. She understood dyeing, also, and one of the coverlets preserved in the family of her daughter Sarah Ankrom is an object of beauty still.

James Grant Hook had learned the tanner's trade and was a shoemaker. He made shoes for the family and at odd times for various neighbors.

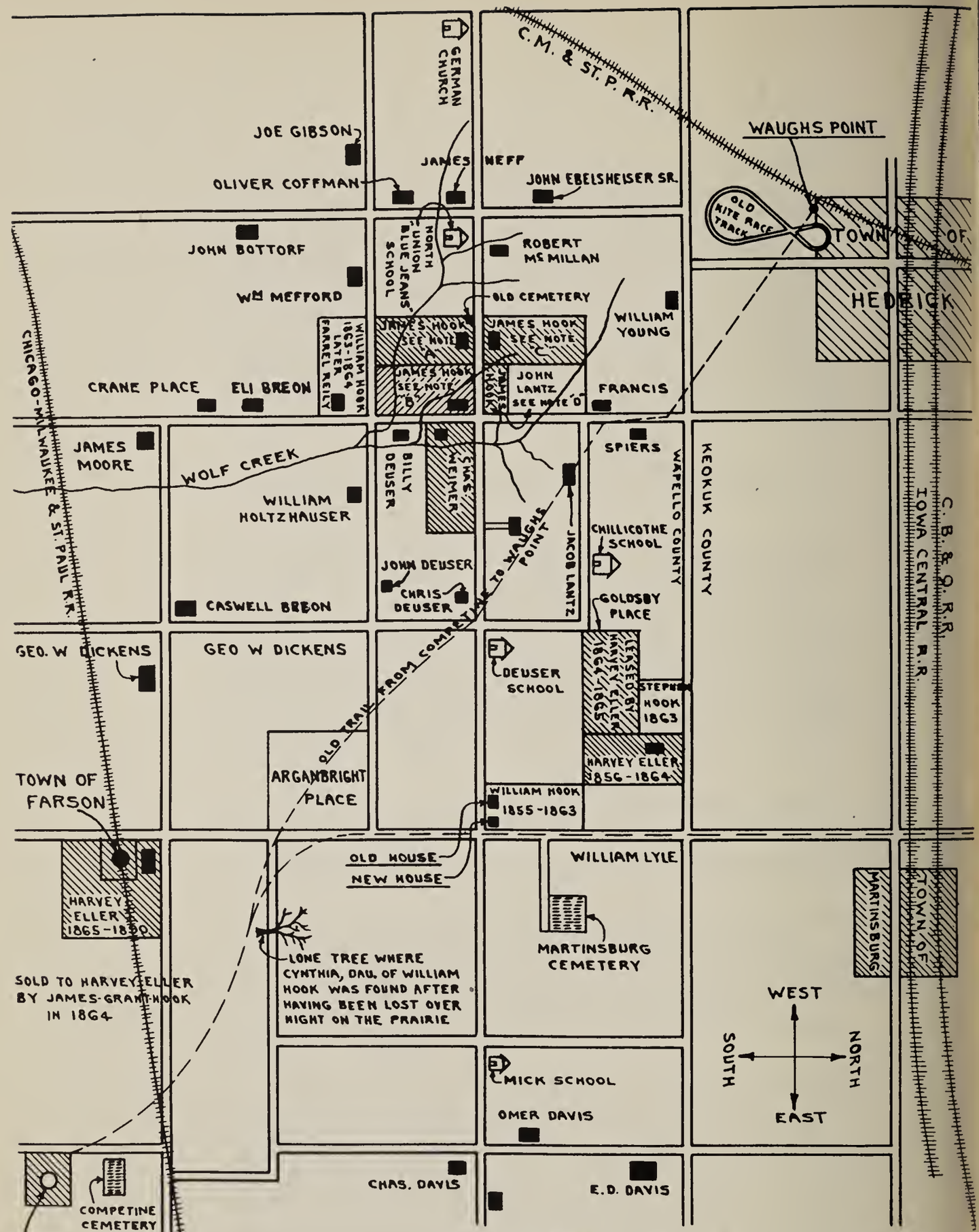
The family lived in this forest home for several years, after which it moved to a new home located on a high knoll that might seem to have been almost inaccessible. This site was chosen for its healthful environment, it being an established fact in the minds of the settlers that low land was conducive to the dread disease of small-pox. The old house and barns have long since disappeared, but the beautiful landscape with its high wooded hills and angling paths and roadways still remains. How it was possible to produce enough on those steep hill-sides to support a family of twelve children is a mystery to the writer, and is eloquent evidence of the thrift and frugality of these Hook parents.

Between 1850 and 1855 the eldest daughter and two eldest sons of the family married and moved to Wapello County, Iowa.

When the Civil War came in 1861, five sons entered the Union Army. Two of them lost their lives by illness early in 1863.

In 1862, and again in 1864, James Grant Hook and his wife visited their sons Stephen and William and daughter Maryann in Iowa. During the first visit they purchased from Martin and Elizabeth Dickens, deed dated June 16, 1862, a tract of unbroken prairie containing 240 acres, paying therefor the sum of $760.00. It was the same tract which they sold to Harvey Eller Nov. 24, 1864, on their second visit and upon which the town of Farson, Iowa now is situated.

When the war ended and surviving sons returned, preparations to move to Iowa were begun. On Sept. 18, 1865, the whole family, except John who remained in Ohio, and William and Stephen and daughter Mary Ann Clark, who had gone before, started on their long journey to Wapello Co., Iowa. They traveled by two prairie schooners, one driven by James Hook, Jr., and the other by Jessie Ankrom, a son-in-law who had married Sarah Jane Hook. The route was via Indianapolis to Burlington and thence across the prairies to their destination. The trip was made without mishap and late



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NOTE "A":- THE JIM BAKER PLACE PURCHASED BY JAMES GRANT HOOK WHO SOLD IT TO HIS SON JAMES HOOK IN 1875

NOTE "B":- THE ROLLIN BAKER PLACE PURCHASED IN 1864 BY WILLIAM HOOK OWNED LATER BY WILLIAM PAYNE WHO SOLD IT TO JAMES HOOK IN 1882

NOTE "C":- THE DAVID DAILY PLACE PURCHASED BY JAMES GRANT HOOK IN 1866 WHO SOLD IT TO HIS SON JAMES HOOK IN 1875

NOTE "D" ORIGINALLY PART OF DAVID DAILY PROPERTY AND SOLD BY HIM TO WILLIAM HOOK IN 1866 WHO LATER SOLD THE SOUTH TWENTY ACRES TO WILLIAM PAYNE AND THE REMAINDER TO JOHN LANTZ

SHOWING HOOK AND ELLER LANDS
IN WAPELLO COUNTY, IOWA.

in October, 1865, the travelers arrived at the home of son and brother William Hook who was then living on the Rollin Baker place in the northeastern part of Highland Township in Wapello County, two and a half miles southeast of the present site of Hedrick, Iowa. The William Hook home was a small affair, but William welcomed his parents and brothers and sisters and shared his cramped quarters with them until spring.

On Apr. 25, 1866, James Grant Hook purchased from his son William the James Baker eighty paying therefor the sum of $1,500.00. At the same time he purchased from David W. Daily an unimproved eighty acres which bordered the James Baker land on the north and paid $450.00 for it. He moved his family into the old house that stood on the James Baker land and lived there while his new home was being built directly across the road on the Daily land. The family moved into the new house in the summer of 1867 and lived there until 1875, when James Hook, Sr. sold his entire holdings in Wapello and Keokuk Counties to his son James Hook, Jr. who had married Virginia, daughter of Harvey Eller, in 1867. (See Eller Family herewith.) Thereafter, James, Sr. and Sarah Hook lived in Agency City, Iowa near their daughter Sarah Jane Ankrom until both died. Both James and his wife Sarah are buried in the Hook family plot in Martinsburg Cemetery one and one-half miles south of Martinsburg, Iowa, which they had provided for their family.

James Grant Hook^{6} (he dropped his middle name at an early date) is remembered by old friends and relatives as a man of high integrity and quiet manners. He was grey eyed and dark haired and like his father was tall and broad shouldered. He was a Republican in politics. He was a member of the Methodist Church which was the church of his wife and parents. His children declared him to be the best posted man on the Holy Scriptures they ever knew. They also said that his wife was a constant reader of the Bible and that she joined with her husband in drilling its teachings into the heart of every one of their children.

(3) Daniel Hook^{6}, b. 1807; d. July 17, 1880; m. 1836, Elizabeth Shuman, b. June 4, 1811, d. Sept. 9, 1887. Both buried in old cemetery east of McArthur, Ohio. No issue.

(4) Sylvanus Hook^{6}, b. July 27, 1809; d. May 14, 1862; m. 1836, Nancy Redmond. He is buried near Locust Grove, Vinton Co., Ohio. No issue.

(5) John Hook^{6} (see forward for descendants), b. Apr. 2, 1811; d. Jan. 24, 1887; m. Lydia Shuman, b. Feb. 10, 1814; d. Oct. 31, 1906. Prominent farmer near McArthur, Ohio. He is buried in Breckenridge, Mo., where he d. while visiting his dau. Elizabeth Ann Arnold, who lived there.

(6) Stephen Hook^{6}, b. Feb. 2, 1813; d. Apr. 5, 1814.

CHILDREN OF STEPHEN HOOK^{5} (SON OF CAPTAIN JAMES HOOK^{4}), AND HIS SECOND WIFE, MARGUERITE BODKIN. TWO DAUGHTERS AND TWO SONS.

(1) Anna Subah Hook^{6}, b. Apr. 8, 1819; m. Aug. 6, 1840, in Perry Co., Ohio, Hugh Lockhart. Had issue.

(2) Sarah Hook[6], B. July 12, 1822; m. May 3, 1841; in Perry Co., John S. Allwine. Had issue.

(3) Arthur Hook[6], b. Jan. 9, 1826; d. Sept. 18, 1827.

(4) Enos Hook[6], b. Oct. 10, 1829; d. Apr. 8, 1842.

CHILDREN OF SAMUEL HOOK[6] (SON OF STEPHEN HOOK[5] AND ANNA (GRANT) HOOK) AND REBECCA CARLISLE:

(1) Sarah Hook7 (see forward for descendants), b. June 11, 1827; d. May 14, 1887; m. Nov. 21, 1844, George Gaver, b. May 10, 1820; d. Sept. 10, 1870.

(2) Israel Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Sept. 10, 1828; d. Mar. 27, 1895; m. Sept. 13, 1849, Charlotte Tharp, of Perry Co., Ohio, b. May 8, 1833; d. Apr. 12, 1903. Occupation, farmer.

(3) Isabella Hook[7], m. Nov. 27, 1848, George Welch.

(4) Anna Subah Hook[7], b. Apr. 11, 1833; d. June 17, 1845.

(5) Margaret Hook[7], m. Nov. 23, 1854, Samuel Lyons.

(6) Mary Hook[7], m. Mar. 6, 1858, Daniel Henderson.

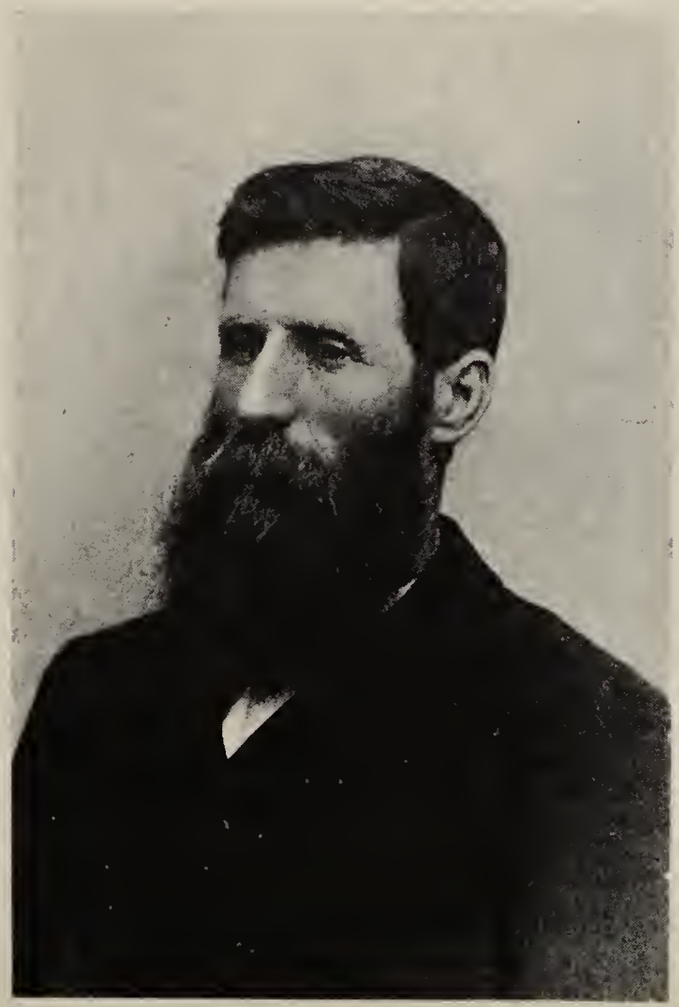
(7) Samuel Hook[7], b. Oct. 21, 1840; d. Apr. 18, 1901; m. Mar. 18, 1862, Lavina Hazleton, b. Jan. 27, 1842. No issue. Widow living at Sunnyvale, Calif.

CHILDREN OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] (SON OF STEPHEN[5] AND ANNA (GRANT) HOOK) AND SARAH LYLE:

(1) Maryann Hook[7], (as written in the James and Sarah Hook Bible) b. July 9, 1829; d. Apr. 4, 1858; m. Aug. 4, 1848, James Clark, b. 1829. He was a brother of the wives of Stephen and William Hook next below. Issue, four, as follows: (1) William b. 1852; (2) Henry b. 1854; (3) Clinton, 1856; (4) Sarah Jane, b. 1857; m. Mr. Harter and lived for a time in Taylor Co., Iowa.

(2) Stephen Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Dec. 29, 1830; disappeared in 1867 and was never heard from. M. Jan. 3, 1855, Sarah Clark, twin-sister of Amy Clark, wife of William Hook next below. She was b. Feb. 28, 1833; d. Dec. 20, 1895. Family moved by wagon from Vinton Co., Ohio, to Wapello Co., Iowa, in 1855. He served in the War of the Rebellion in the 1st Iowa Cavalry.

(3) William Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Aug. 24, 1832; d. Dec. 23, 1905; m. 1st, May 8, 1853, Amy Clark in Vinton Co. Ohio. She was b. Feb. 28, 1833; d. June, 1870. M. 2d, Saphrome Barnett, who was born in Ky. in 1837 and d. in Taylor Co., Iowa 1912. Family moved in covered wagon from Vinton Co., Ohio, to Wapello Co., Iowa, in 1855, where they lived for fourteen years. In 1869 they moved to St. Clair Co., Mo., where they lived until 1884, when they moved to Nodaway Co., Mo. They lived here until 1892, when they moved to Taylor Co., Iowa. The family were staunch Methodists and did much for that church in the different vicinities where they lived.



James Hook.
1839 — 1905

Virginia (Eller) Hook.
1845 — 1897

(4-5) Twin sons[7], b. May 19, 1834; d. immediately.

(6) Walter Beebe Hook[7], b. Apr. 23, 1835; d. Mar. 2, 1863. He d. of small-pox while at home on furlough in Civil War. Buried one and one-half miles N. of Allenville.

(7) Sarah Jane Hook[7] (see forward for descendants), b. Sept. 6, 1837; d. Jan. 2, 1928; m. Jan. 31, 1865 in Vinton Co., Ohio, Jesse Ankrom, b. 1839 in Noble Co., Ohio, d. June 10, 1925. The old couple resided in Agency City, Iowa, for over fifty years. He was a successful ccntractor and builder and a man of prominence in the county.

(8) James Hook[7] b. in Carrol Co. Ohio, Sept. 30, 1839; d. in Wapello Co. Iowa, June 30, 1905; m. Nov. 21, 1867 in Wapello Co. Iowa, Virginia Eller, b. in Wilkes Co. N. C., Oct. 18, 1845; d. in Wapello Co. Iowa, Oct. 30, 1897. She was a dau. of Harvey and Mary Caroline (Vannoy) Eller. (See Eller and Vannoy Families herein). James Hook attended the schools of Vinton Co. Ohio, clerked in a store and helped his father on the home farm. At President Lincoln's first call for volunteers he enlisted, on Apr. 20, 1861 in the 18th Ohio Vol. Infantry for three months service. He was honorably discharged Aug. 28, 1861. In the spring of 1862, he accompanied his parents on a visit to his sister and two brothers in Iowa and shortly after his return home, enlisted on Sept. 9, 1862 in the 7th Ohio, Vol. Cavalry and served continuously until he was mustered out of the service at Raleigh, N. C. on June 22, 1865. His regiment was with Gen. Sherman at the siege of Atlanta and with Generals Schofield and Thomas in the campaign, after Atlanta, that succeeded in destroying Hoods Army. He served part of the time as a dispatch carrier and was one of the volunteers who crept through the Confederate lines to carry a headquarters dispatch to General Burnside when he was besieged at Knoxville, Tenn. In the fall of 1865 he moved with his parents in a prairie schooner to Highland Township, Wapello, Co. Iowa where he married, raised a large family and became a prosperous farmer and fine stock raiser and a prominent and respected citizen. He taught school during the winter for several years after arriving in Iowa. In 1875 with the purchase of his parents farm he began the purchase of land which was later considered to be one of the best and most productive farms in the county. He was a leader in the activities of his community and represented the electorate in many county and state conventions of the Republican Party of which he was a staunch member. He was a trustee, treasurer and president of the North Union School District for fifteen years or more. He was for many years a Justice of the Peace and the settler of many local quarrels and was thought of and called Squire Hook. He was several times commander of the J. M. Hedrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a breeder of short horn cattle, English shire, Morgan and Ensign horses, importing some of the sires from England and Belgium. In 1901 he married his second wife Caroline Andrews, born Ebelsheiser, who d. in July 1905, a bare month after his own death, after long illness and hospitalization. There was no issue by this marriage. Early in 1905 he went to Big Horn Co. Wyoming and purchased land on the Germania Bench near Burlington and entered upon many additional acres which he expected his

children to homestead, an expectation not to be carried out. The land was located in the oil section of Wyoming and today is very valuable. Both James and his wife Virginia lie buried side by side in the Hook family plot in the Martinsburg Cemetery in Wapello Co. one and one-half miles south of Martinsburg, Iowa. (See forward for children.)

(9) John Hook[7], b. Oct. 23, 1841; d. Nov. 22, 1919; m. 1882, Mary Fowler, b. 1860. He served in the Civil War in the 65th Ohio Vol. Inf. He lived during his later years in Independence, Mo., where he is buried. No issue.

(10) Alexander Hook[7], b. Dec. 9, 1843; d. Jan. 30, 1863. He d. in the Army Hospital at Gallatin, Tenn., while in the service of his country.

(11) Nancy Hook[7], b. Mar. 24, 1846; d. 1919; m. 1st, Mike LaChapelle, who went to Montreal, was taken ill and d. M. 2d, George W. Hayes. No issue by second marriage. Issue by 1st marriage: (1) Samuel, d. Dec. 14, 1932; m. Nov. 1899, Lulu Smith of Hedrick, Iowa, and lived in DesMoines, Iowa; (2) Lucy, d. young; (3) William, d. young.

(12) Martha Hook[7], b. Mar. 18, 1849; d. Feb. 23, 1923. She never married.

(13) Thomas Jefferson Hook[7], b. June 26, 1854; d. May 22, 1913; m. Kate Baker of near St. Joseph, Mo. She was b. Oct. 1, 1856 and d. 1934. Family lived in Creighton, Nebr., where some descendants still reside. Issue as follows:

(1) Edwin G. Hook[8], b. Sept. 4, 1875; m. 1st, July 8, 1897, Jennie L. Burnes. Family lived, Chicago, Ill. Issue by this marriage: one son, Harry M. Hook, who served in the World War in the Medical Corps Dept., B. H. No. 113. Now living, Omaha, Nebr. M. 2d, Anna Marie Guy of Chicago, Ill. Issue: Florence Catherine Hook and Helen Frances Hook.

(2) Fred Hook[8], b. Dec. 8, 1876; d. Feb. 10, 1913. Served in Troop C, 3d Reg. Cav., Spanish-American War. M. June, 1899, Maud Harper of Hedrick, Iowa, who d. at her home in Sacramento, Calif. May 4, 1938. Issue: Rolland Harper Hook, an accomplished musician who m. and has two sons.

(3) Alice Marie Hook[8], b. Aug. 24, 1879; m. Aug. 24, 1899, George Leslie Harper. Lived, Schuyler, Nebr. No issue.

(4) Lloyd Thomas Hook[8], b. Oct. 27, 1884; m. Aug. 14, 1911, Maude Meyers who d. in Pueblo, Colo., Dec. 1931. No issue.

(14) Samuel Hook[7], b. Mar. 18, 1857; d. 1910; m. Elizabeth Baker, b. near St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 31, 1858; d. July 14, 1903. Family lived for many years in Wapello Co., Iowa, and in late life in Creighton, Nebr. Issue, two, as follows:

(1) Claud J. Hook[8], b. July 3, 1884; d. Apr. 3, 1902.

(2) Snowden Robert Hook[8], b. Apr. 1, 1893. He served eighteen months overseas in World War in Co. C., 18th Engineers. Lived in Calif.

CHILDREN OF JOHN HOOK[6] (SON OF STEPHEN[5] AND ANNA (GRANT) HOOK) AND LYDIA SHUMAN:

(1) Elizabeth Ann Hook[7], b. Sept. 13, 1835; d. Dec. 28, 1897; m. Clinton Arnold and lived in or near Breckenridge, Mo. Had several issue.

(2) Frances Hook[7], b. Jan. 1, 1837; d. May 18, 1897; m. Richard Clements, b. 1832. No issue.

(3) Angeline Hook[7], b. Apr. 9, 1839; d. Sept. 2, 1918. Never m. Lived and d. in McArthur, Ohio.

(4) Sarah E. Hook[7] (called Sadie), b. June 20, 1842; d. May 13, 1920. Never m. Lived and d. in McArthur, Ohio.

(5) Barnett A. Hook[7], b. Apr. 17, 1845. His home was in McArthur, Ohio. He was a soldier in the Civil War, enlisting in the 148th Ohio Vol. Inf., Co. C. He was a farmer until 1880, when he moved to McArthur and became editor of the McArthur Democrat Inquirer. He was a breeder and trainer of fine horses as a side line. Was stricken with rheumatism which prompted him to take up the unusual occupation of fancy embroidering. He became a master of this art and his work was exhibited throughout the Middle West and won for him many prizes and highly favorable comment. He was a talented entertainer and caterer. His extraordinary profession and his attractive personality drew the attention of many editors in Ohio and neighboring states. Press notices were preserved and published in a very interesting booklet. He never m.

CHILDREN OF SARAH HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF SAMUEL[6] AND REBECCA (CARLISLE) HOOK) AND GEORGE GAVER:

(1) John Gaver[8], b. Aug. 27, 1845; d. Feb. 21, 1847.

(2) Rebecca A. Gaver[8], b. Dec. 15, 1846; m. L. F. Stallsmith.

(3) Samuel Gaver[8], b. Apr. 14, 1848; d. Dec. 24, 1909; m. Margaret Aler.

(4) Henry Gaver[8], b. Feb. 20, 1850; d. July 26, 1914; m. 1st. Dec. 25, 1873, Lydia Harbaugh, b. Aug. 8, 1854; d. Jan. 3, 1887. M. 2d, June 5, 1890, Ella Wilson. No issue by second marriage. Issue by first marriage:

(1) Earl Elbert Gaver[9], b. Aug. 16, 1875; m. Aug. 17, 1910, Maud Raymond, b. Aug. 17, 1876. Issue: (1) Raymond Henry Gaver, b. June 19, 1911; (2) Ida Gaver, b. July 1, 1915. Family resides Columbus, Ohio. Occupation, physician.

(2) Sarah Jane Gaver[9], b. Jan. 18, 1877; m. May 14, 1896, William J. Kennedy, b. May 21, 1875. Resides, New Lexington, Ohio.

(3) Mary Rebecca Gaver[9], b. Nov. 4, 1878; m. Oct. 12, 1904, Harry Thomas Moore, b. Apr. 27, 1874.

(4) Margaret Gaver[9], high school teacher, Mansfield, Ohio. Unm.

(5) William Lambert Gaver[9], b. Sept. 12, 1881; d. Feb. 12, 1882.

(6) Calvin Clyde Gaver[9], b. Apr. 15, 1883; d. Feb. 12, 1886.

(5) Margaret Gaver[8], b. Mar. 6, 1852; d. Apr. 12, 1880; m. John B. Platt.

(6) Mary C. Gaver[8], b. Feb. 19, 1854; d. Dec. 30, 1908; m. Gabriel Harbaugh.

(7) Susanna Gaver[8], b. Dec. 22, 1857; d. Aug. 13, 1908; m. John Houy.

(8) George Gaver[8], b. Apr. 26, 1858; d. Oct. 19, 1900; m. 1st, Letha Davis; m. 2d, Anna Simmers.

(9) William Gaver[8], b. Dec. 25, 1859; d. July, 1923; m. Rosetta Ricketts.

(10) Sarah Isabell Gaver[8], b. Aug. 25, 1861; m. Alexander McLane.

(11) Lucinda C. Gaver[8], b. Nov. 22, 1864; d. Nov. 15, 1906; m. Martin Bennett.

(12) Emma Irene Gaver[8], b. Jan. 21, 1867; d. Jan. 26, 1873.

(13) Israel Gaver[8], b. Feb. 1, 1869; d. Sept. 22, 1869.

(14) Matilda Gaver[8], b. Feb. 1, 1869; m. James Ricketts.

CHILDREN OF ISRAEL HOOK[7] (SON OF SAMUEL[6] AND REBECCA (CARLISLE) HOOK) AND CHARLOTTE THARP:

(1) Ann Subah Hook[8], b. May 18, 1851; m. Nov. 12, 1868, Elijah Hazelton.

(2) John F. Hook[8], b. Mar. 4, 1853; d. 1931; m. Aug. 12, 1877, Anne E. Lefever, b. Nov. 19, 1860; d. Apr. 11, 1901. Widower living in Zanesville, Ohio. Issue, eight, as follows:

(1) Charles Clifton Hook[9], b. Apr. 22, 1878. Lives, Buffalo, N. Y.

(2) Walter Samuel Hook[9], b. Jan. 15, 1880. Lives, Zanesville, Ohio.

(3) Viola Gertrude Hook[9], b. Jan. 4, 1882; m. Charles W. Williams. Lives, Herkimer, N. Y.

(4) George Wallace Hook[9], b. Feb. 4, 1884; d. 1908.

(5) Eunice Pearl Hook[9], b. Feb. 21, 1886; m. Roy Herbig. Lives, Utica, N. Y.

(6) Harley Chester Hook[9], b. Mar. 21, 1888. Lives, Miami, Fla.

(7) Mary Catherine Hook[9], b. Apr. 12, 1891; m. James Duffy. Lives, Springfield, Ohio.

(8) Cecil Rhodes Hook[9], b. May 26, 1893. He married and lives in Gainsville, Florida.

(3) William L. Hook[8], b. Mar. 8, 1855; d. Dec. 22, 1909; m. 1st, Nov. 23, 1876, Rebecca M. Welch, b. 1853; d. 1887. No issue. M. 2d, Sept. 23, 1888, Charilla Wilson, b. Feb. 18, 1868; d. Dec. 16, 1915. Issue, four as follows:

(1) Sobol E. Hook[9], b. Apr. 6, 1890. Resided, Detroit, Mich.

(2) Charlotte Hook[9], b. May 27, 1892; m. Frank W. Truitt. Resided, Columbus, Ohio.

(3) Fauntelle Hook[9], b. Mar. 18, 1894; m. Stanley Bolender. Resided, Columbus, Ohio.

(4) Samuel Edward Wilson Hook[9], b. Sept. 24, 1897. Resided, Columbus, Ohio.

(4) Isabell Hook[8], b. 1857; m. Jan. 21, 1875, William H. Carter.

(5) Mary E. Hook[8], b. 1859; m. July 17, 1884, Howard L. Sanders.

(6) Sarah Margaret Hook[8], b. 1861; m. Dec. 23, 1879, David Roberts, Jr.

(7) Lavina Hook[8], b. June 9, 1863; d. Mar. 30, 1887; m. Aug. 4, 1881, Alan W. Pierce.

(8) Aurilla Hook[8], b. July 25, 1868; d. Aug. 2, 1904; m. Feb. 24, 1889, Howard Harrison.

(9) Mertie Matilda Hook[8], b. 1870; d. 1882.

CHILDREN OF STEPHEN HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] AND SARAH (LYLE) HOOK) AND SARAH CLARK:

(1) James Madison Hook[8], b. Nov. 5, 1855; d. Aug. 1928; m. Apr. 27, 1877, Laura Townsend, b. Oct. 3, 1859. Family lived at Macomb, Missouri. Issue five children all of whom lived at Macomb, Mo.

(1) Anna Olive Hook[9], b. 1878; d. 1879.

(2) Oliver Townsend Hook[9], b. Dec. 30, 1879; m. Mar. 10, 1915, Lelha Mabel Pierson, b. Feb. 28, 1896.

(3) Herbert Spencer Hook[9], b. 1883; d. 1883.

(4) Myrtle Leola Hook[9], b. Aug. 28, 1893; m. 1922, Harvey Waldren, b. May 19, 1888.

(5) Gwendolyn Hook[9], b. Mar. 26, 1899; m. 1922, Jesse William Ethridge, b. June 12, 1902.

(2) William Clinton Hook[8], b. July 4, 1858; m. Feb. 8, 1878, Sarah Jane Baker. Family lived near Laporte City, Iowa.

(1) Ira N. Hook[9], b. Jan. 8, 1879; m. Mar. 9, 1904, Jennie Peterson, b. Nov. 22, 1885. Living near Laporte City, Iowa. Occupation, farmer. Issue: (1) Inez Leona Hook, b. Feb. 21, 1905; (2) Blanch Irene Hook, b. July 20, 1906; (3) Glen Hook, b. Dec. 13, 1907; (4) Alice Hook, b. Nov. 14, 1909; (5) Pauline Defoy Hook, b. June 17, 1912; (6) Willard A. Hook, b. May 11, 1915; (7) Zella Mae Hook, b. July 27, 1918; (8) Zora Marie Hook, b. July 27, 1918; (9) Marvin Roy Hook, b. Apr. 5, 1921.

(2) Jason M. Hook[9], b. July 26, 1880; m. 1901, Mary Miller. Issue: Myra Hook. Family resides, Laporte City, Iowa. Occupation, farmer.

(3) Walter L. Hook[9], b. Mar. 20, 1882; d. 1907.

(4) Mary Mae Hook[9], b. Mar. 4, 1884; m. Dec. 1905, David Hiram Gilbert. Lives at Lake City, Iowa. Issue: Irene, Don and Dale.

(5) Maude Hook[9], b. May 5, 1886; d. June 1928; m. 1912, Otto Lange. Resides, Marion, Iowa.

(6) Clinton S. Hook[9], b. Apr. 19, 1888; d. 1914.

(7) Newton Richard Hook[9], b. Jan. 24, 1892; m. 1915; Mae Hagan of Lavina, Mont. Issue: Harold Newton Hook, b. Aug. 26, 1917. Family resides, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Occupation, insurance.

(8) Minnie Hook[9], b. Feb. 27, 1894; m. 1912, Millard Stookey. Issue: Lorna Defoy Stookey and Jane Stookey. Family resides at DesMoines, Iowa.

(9) Teresa Hook[9], b. Mar. 15, 1899; d. Mar. 19, 1900.

(3) Martha Ann Hook[8], b. Sept. 5, 1860; d. Sept. 12, 1863.

(4) Mary Elizabeth Hook[8], b. July 6, 1862; d. Feb. 1938; m. Stanley Fisher, d. Mar. 1926. Family lived at Plainview, Nebr. Issue, eight:

(1) Lottie Elva Fisher[9], b. June 3, 1878; m. George W. Kirk. Issue: four sons and two daughters. Lived, Plainview, Nebr.

(2) Gertrude Ethelyn Fisher[9], b. Oct. 26, 1883; m. George Seabury. Issue: two sons. Lived, Plainview, Nebr.

(3) Claud G. Fisher[9], b. Jan. 10, 1886; m. Elsie Lightfoot. Issue: two sons and two daughters. Lived, Veidel, Nebr.

(4) Frank Stanley Fisher[9], b. Sept. 5, 1888; d. in New Mexico; m. Hortense Stimson. Issue: one son and one dau. Lived, Brownsville, Tex.

(5) Glen B. Fisher[9], b. July 13, 1893; m. Vera Cheney. Issue: three sons. Lived at Creighton, Nebr.

(6) Fern Lila Fisher[9], b. Oct. 3, 1898. Unm.

(7) Clyde Harold Fisher[9], b. July 13, 1901. Unm.

(8) Mary Gladys Fisher[9], b. July 7, 1903. Unm.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] AND SARAH (LYLE) HOOK) AND HIS FIRST WIFE, AMY CLARK:

(1) Infant son[8], b. 1854, d. immediately.

(2) Cynthia Ann Hook[8], b. 1855; d. Feb. 3, 1929; m. Oct. 1873, Benjamin H. Woodbury, b. Oct. 14, 1846; d. Dec. 25, 1936, the son of John and Mary Phillips Clark Woodbury. Family lived at Lawrence, Kansas. Issue, eight:

(1) Mary Belle Woodbury[9], b. 1874; m. 1907 Noel Coleman Winston. Lived near Hartsville, Tenn. Issue: (1) Mary Catherine, b. 1908; who m. George R. Scrivener; (2) Cynthia, b. 1910; (3) Amy Louise, b. 1912; (4) Virginia C., b. 1914, who m. 1933 Ray Foley and lives Nashville, Tenn.

(2) William Hook Woodbury[9], b. 1876; m. 1908, Della M. Hamilton. Living, Duluth, Minn. No issue.

(3) Charles Levi Woodbury[9], b. 1877; d. 1907 by drowning. Grad. Univ. of Kansas 1922. Unmarried.

(4) Amy Sophronie Woodbury[9], b. 1879. Unm.

(5) Ethel Grace Woodbury[9], b. 1881; d. 1881.

(6) Emma Blanch Woodbury[9], b. 1883. Unm.

(7) Richard Lincoln Woodbury[9], b. 1885; m. 1911, Olive Lenig. Family lives Forth Worth, Tex. Children: (1) Benjamin, b. 1912; (2) William; (3) Frank; (4) John; (5) Robert; (6) Jane.

(8) Bessie Douglas Woodbury[9], b. 1887; d. 1896.

(3) Nancy Hook[8], b. Oct. 9, 1857; d. Apr. 15, 1909; m. Oct. 4, 1875, Charles Taylor, b. Dec. 30, 1854; d. 1921. Family lived at Clearfield, Iowa. Issue, five:

(1) Leslie Taylor[9], b. 1876; d. 1877.

(2) Ralph Herbert Taylor[9], b. Feb. 17, 1879; d. in Butte, Mont. Jan. 23, 1928; m. 1906, Lizzie Pyle. No issue.

(3) Emma May Taylor[9], b. Jan. 17, 1881; d. 1905; m. Nov. 14, 1904, Frank G. Webb, b. 1878; d. 1936.

(4) Nellie Blanch Taylor[9], b. Sept. 11, 1882; m. Feb. 3, 1902, O. E. Wertz, b. 1880. Family lived St. Joseph, Mo.

(5) William Taylor[9], b. 1890; m. Bertha Lowden, b. 1890.

(4) Sarah Hook[8], b. 1859; d. 1859.

(5) Lincoln Hook[8], b. 1860; d. 1901; m. Mollie McVicker, b. 1860; d. May 15, 1937. No issue. Widow living at Maryville, Mo.

(6) Emma Hook[8], b. Sept. 30, 1862; d. Sept. 30, 1933; m. 1889 Colonel Eisiminger, b. in Andrew County, Mo., Jan. 10, 1862; d. Oct. 2, 1932. Family lived in DesMoines, Iowa. Issue: one dau., Armide, b. in Andrew Co., Mo., Nov. 13, 1893, who m. 1920, S. V. Schauweker, b. Oct. 30, 1892. Living, DesMoines, Iowa.

(7) James Hook[8], b. 1864; d. Jan. 6, 1928; m. Dec. 23, 1887, Alice Pertle, b. 1867. Family lived near St. Joseph, Mo. Issue, two as follows:

(1) Zulu Hook[9], b. 1888. Unm.

(2) Edgar Leighton Hook[9], b. 1891; d. June 11, 1930. Unm.

(8) Eva Jane Hook[8], b. 1866; d. 1912; m. Byron Eiginoire, b. 1867, d. 1910. Family lived in DesMoines, Iowa. Issue, one son: Forest Vincent Eiginoire, b. 1902.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] AND SARAH (LYLE) HOOK) AND HIS SECOND WIFE, SOPHRONIE BARNETT:

(1) George William Hook[8], b. 1871; deceased; m. 1st, 1900, Jessie Boyd, b. 1878; d. 1910. M. 2d, 1917, Edna Eckler Walker. Family lived at Bedford, Iowa. Issue by 1st marriage, five, as follows:

(1) Ruth Hook[9], b. 1901; m. 1922, Homer Carson.

(2) John Hook[9], b. 1903; d. 1907.

(3) Mary Hook[9], b. 1905.

(4) Infant[9], b. 1908; d. immediately.

(5) Jessie Boyd Hook[9], b. 1910.

Issue by 2d marriage, five as follows:

(1) George William Hook[9], b. 1918.

(2) Bettie Jane Hook[9], b. 1920.

(3) Imogene Hook[9], b. 1923.

(4) James Glen Hook[9], b. 1929.

(5) Jack Eckler Hook[9], b. 1931.

Family of James and Virginia (Eller) Hook. (Taken 1893.)
Back row: Mary, John, Orin, Wallace, Sarah.
Front row: James William, James Sr., Morris Glen, Virginia, Frank Leslie.

(2) Martha (Mattie) Hook[8], b. 1874; deceased; m. 1st Dr. F. P. Carey, b. 1850; d. 1933. Family lived in Minneapolis, Miss. M. second Homer Coughlin and lived in Minneapolis. No issue by second marriage. Issue by first marriage, two as follows:

(1) Mildred Carey[9], b. 1898; m. Jack Harden.

(2) Wilma Pauline Carey[9], b. 1906; m. Edw. Perley.

(3) Walter Hook[8], b. 1875; d. 1875.

CHILDREN OF SARAH JANE HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] AND SARAH (LYLE) HOOK) AND JESSE ANKROM:

(1) Mary Matilda Ankrom[8], b. Nov. 29, 1865 in Wapello Co., Iowa; d. Nov. 1929 in Ottumwa, Iowa; m. Nov. 29, 1888, W. W. Ruckman who d. Sept. 5, 1922. Family lived in Ottumwa, Iowa. Issue, one son: Eugene Ruckman, b. Oct. 28, 1901, who m. Beatrice LaMaster.

(2) Anna Ankrom[8], b. Oct. 25, 1871; m. Aug. 28, 1894, Chester Long who d. Aug. 1939. Family lived Omaha, Nebr. No issue.

(3) Mattie Ankrom[8], b. Mar. 31, 1877; d. Jan. 1938; m. Benjamin Young. Family lived in Ottumwa, Iowa. Issue, two, as follows:

(1) Millard A. Young[9], b. Apr. 3, 1902.

(2) Maxine Loraine Young[9], b. May 21, 1905.

CHILDREN OF JAMES HOOK[7] (SON OF JAMES GRANT HOOK[6] AND SARAH (LYLE) HOOK) AND VIRGINIA ELLER:

(1) Mary Hook[8], b. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Aug. 27, 1868; d. in Humboldt, Iowa, Mar. 23, 1897. M. Oct. 19, 1892, Henry Edgar Passig of Humboldt, Iowa, b. Mar. 1, 1869; d. in Upland, Calif. Dec. 28, 1947. Her early education was obtained in country schools in Wapello Co. In 1890 and 1891, she attended Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa. She taught in public schools at Hedrick, Iowa. She was a talented writer and devoted Christian. Issue: one son, b. Aug. 17, 1893; d. immediately.

(2) John Hook[8], b. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Apr. 18, 1870; d. in Upland, California, Jan. 30, 1946; buried in Bellvue Cemetery, Ontario, Calif.; m. Nov. 1, 1894, Jennie Lentner, b. Sept. 7, 1873; d. in Upland, Calif., Feb. 18, 1948 and buried beside her husband in Bellvue Cemetery, Ontario, Calif. Her parents were John Jacob Lentner, b. in Athens Co., Ohio, Feb. 5, 1841; d. Dec. 15, 1902; and Almira Kirkpatrick, b. in Madison Co., Ohio, Sept. 15, 1849; d. July 7, 1931. Her grandparents were George M. Lentner, b. in Lewiston, Del., Aug. 22, 1807; d. 1907; and Mary Imes, b. in Ohio, Apr. 16, 1808; d. Nov. 19, 1892. Her mother's parents were - Minor Kirkpatrick, b. in Va., Sept. 16, 1816; d. Dec. 1894; and Hanna Godfrey, b. in Va., Mar. 23, 1819; d. Oct., 1910. The Lentner immigrant ancestor was Conrad who came to America from Germany before the Revolution and joined the Army of General Lafayette. His son, Jacob, was an officer in the War of 1812 and moved to Athens Co., Ohio, in 1816 from Lewiston, Del. Jacob's

son, George M. Lentner, m. 1st in 1829, Sarah Ann McGonagle, and 2nd, in 1831, Mary Imes. The latter family moved to Wapello Co., Iowa, in a covered wagon in 1851. John Jacob enlisted in Co. D, 18th Iowa Inf., served throughout the Civil War and was mustered out of the service July 20, 1865, as a Second Lieutenant.

The parent of Minor Kirkpatrick was Thomas, a veteran of the War of 1812, and his grandparent was Hugh Kirkpatrick who was one of several brothers who fought in the War for Independence from Virginia.

John Hook was educated in the country school of the neighborhood where he lived, later attended the Hedrick Normal School for two years and then the Ottumwa, Iowa, Commercial School from which he graduated in 1891. For seven years after graduation he was engaged in house decorating and painting. Thereafter, he was employed as a sales representative; first for the Eureka Elastic Paint Company of Chicago until 1905; then with the Lincoln Paint and Color Company of Lincoln, Nebraska, until 1913; then with Adams and Elting Company, paint manufacturers of Chicago, until 1918; then and until his retirement in 1930, with the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company as special representative on the Pacific Coast. He always showed an artistic bent and was a cartoonist of landscape painter of no small ability. Some of his work was exhibited at the World's Fair in Chicago in 1893 and most of it is scattered among friends whom he made during his long years of travel while engaged in the paint business. His last home was in Upland, Calif. where he owned a fine lemon ranch. He was a Mason and a member of I.O.O.F. and was an accomplished public speaker. Issue, two, as follows:

(1) Mary Louise Hook[9], b. June 17, 1900; m. 1st, George H. Hinshaw, deceased. Issue: John Wallace Hinshaw, b. Dec. 5, 1919 and Robert Eugere Hinshaw, b. Sept. 19, 1922. Married 2nd, Mack Crosslin. No issue by second marriage.

(2) Max Morris Hook[9], b. Nov. 21, 1902; m. Esther Arnold. Issue: Earle Alfred Hook, b. Nov. 3, 1922; Louise Hook, b. Sept. 21, 1924; and John William Hook, b. Apr. 7, 1928. He was on the destroyer "Fuller" that was wrecked off the coast of Calif., Sept., 1923. Resides, Upland, Calif.

(3) Orin Hook[8], b. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Feb. 13, 1872; d. Mar. 15, 1942 in Upland Calif. of Pneumonia; buried beside his first wife in Humboldt, Iowa; m. 1st, Mar. 8, 1905, Pearl Richards, b. July 8, 1884; d. June 20, 1923, dau. of George W. Richards, b. in Ohio in 1851, and wife whose maiden name was Debolt, b. in Illinois, 1856. The Richards family resided for many years in Ottumwa, Iowa. Orin Hook was educated in the country schools near the parental home. He was a great lover of horses and a successful farmer. He left the farm in 1904 and for a few years was part owner with his father-in-law of a grocery store in Ottumwa, Iowa. In 1909 he returned to the farm where he remained until the untimely death of his wife in 1923. During World War I he was appointed by the Governor of Iowa as Food Administrator in his community and received a medal for his work that was made

from metal taken from the first cannon captured by American troops from the Germans. He was also an active worker in all Liberty Loan Campaigns. On July 19, 1924, he m. Idylmarch Naugle (nee Rockwell), formerly of Galesburg, Ill. Issue by 1st marriage, one son, Warren Mernie Hook, b. 1905, who served as a Private in the 8th Field Artillery and is now in business in Los Angeles. Issue by 2nd marriage, one daughter, Elizabeth Jean Hook, b. Dec. 24, 1925; grad. U. of Calf. at Berkley.

(4) Wallace Hook[8], b. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Jan. 12, 1874; d. in Salem, Mo. Sept. 26, 1942 and buried in Martinsburg, Iowa Cemetery; m. 1st, Dec. 6, 1895, Isis Leota Edwards, b. Aug. 29, 1877; d. Dec. 2, 1935. Her parents were Levi Chesterfield Edwards, b. in Hopkinsville, Ky., 1835; d. in Pleasant Plains, Iowa, 1898; and Elizabeth Montgomery, b. 1836 near Pittsburgh, Pa.; d. 1894 near Salina, Iowa. Her grandparents on her mother's side were Andrew Montgomery and Jane Montgomery (nee Courtney), the latter of whom was b. in County Antrim, Ireland, in 1800. M. 2nd, Feb. 22, 1939, Mrs. Mary E. Doms; b. Dec. 16, 1884 in Sharon Co., Mo., the dau. of Clem Dooley. No issue by 2nd marriage.

Wallace Hook attended the country schools near home until 1891 when he went to Omaha, Nebr., remaining two years. In 1894 he attended the Hedrick (Iowa) Normal School and later the Teachers' Institute in Ottumwa, Iowa, and obtained a teacher's certificate for both Wapello and Keokuk Counties. He taught in various rural schools for several years. In 1902 he moved to Ames, Iowa, and entered the Iowa State College where for two years he took the agricultural course. In 1907 he moved to a farm near Packwood, Iowa, where he remained for eight years. Here he made experiments in Hybridization the results of which made him a reputation as a corn and grain breeder. In 1912 he wrote a text book on agriculture for rural schools that was widely known in the corn belt. He also has contributed liberally to farm papers throughout the country. In 1915 he sold his Packwood farm and bought another farm at Ollie, Iowa. While owning these farms he devoted most of his time to teaching. In 1915-16 he was Superintendent of Schools at Martinsburg, Iowa. In 1917 he was Manager of the Hawkeye Seed Company at Lockridge, Iowa. In 1918 he entered the Federal Service as County Agricultural Agent and moved to Missouri. He continued in this service until the fall of 1924 when he became a Smith Hughes teacher of Agriculture. He remained in this work until 1936 when a serious heart attack forced him to retire. After 1936 he did considerable writing, mostly for amusement. In the contest to select a Poet Laureate of the Ozarks he was winner of fourth prize. Family resided at Salem, Mo., where he and his wife were members of the Methodist Church.

Issue, six children, all by 1st marriage:

(1) Gladys Marie Hook[9], b. at Hedrick, Iowa, Dec. 14, 1896; m. Feb. 3, 1915, Bert E. Horner, of LaHarpe, Ill. b. April 29, 1890. Family formerly lived in Ottumwa, Iowa, later in San Diego, Calif. Issue, three children: (1) Edward Eugene Horner, b. July 25, 1916; living in San Diego, Calif.; (2) Maurice Hook Horner, b. Dec. 12, 1917, m. Aug. 8, 1943, Nancy Lee Holmes of Beverly Hills, Calif., b. July 28, 1924. Issue Peter Hook Horner, b. Oct. 10, 1944. Family now living Phoenix, Ariz.; (3) Mary Ann Horner, b. Dec. 4, 1928.

(2) Lorena Margaret Hook[9], b. at Hedrick, Iowa, Nov. 12, 1900; m. Mar. 7, 1918, William S. Oaks, b. 1897. Issue: (1) Donna Jane Oaks, b. June 3, 1919; m. June 11, 1941 John W. Erickson, b. Sept. 20, 1919, of Champaign, Ill., children, Linda Rae, b. Dec. 7, 1945 and Paula Sue, b. July 1, 1948; (2) Patricia Rae Oaks, b. June 18, 1925; m. July 9, 1943 Harold G. Thompson, b. April 11, 1924, children one dau. Carol Jane, b. May 8, 1946; and (3) Laurance Roger Oaks, b. Jan. 16, 1935. Family resides on farm near Monmouth, Ill.

(3) Virginia Rae Hook[9], b. at Ames, Iowa, Sept. 24, 1902; m. June 14, 1922, George E. Stevens, b. 1901. Family lives Rolla, Mo. Issue: (1) Jack Harlan Stevens, b. Apr. 18, 1924, m. July 23, 1945 Beryl Grace Dawkins of Blackburn, England; (2) Peggy Ruth Stevens, b. Oct. 11, 1926; m. July 4, 1946, William E. Hill, b. July 30, 1923 at Moberly, Mo. Issue one dau. Donna Leslie Hill b. May 6, 1950; and (3) Phillip George Stevens, b. June 1, 1942.

(4) James Chesterfield Hook[9], b. at Ames, Iowa, Jan. 15, 1906; m. Feb. 7, 1927, Helen Dorleska Key, b. July 20, 1907. Issue: (1) Suzanne LaRue Hook, b. Jan. 22, 1928; m. Mar. 12, 1948, Jorge Hector Roza, b. Paris, France, Feb. 19, 1925; (2) James Chesterfield Hook, Jr., b. July 20, 1932; (3) Samme Carolyn Hook, b. June 9, 1939; (4 and 5) twins, Carol Virginia Hook and Errol Joe Hook, b. Oct. 19, 1942. Family lives at Richland, Mo.

(5) Marvin Eugene Hook[9], b. at Packwood, Iowa, Jan. 21, 1910; d. 1913.

(6) Wallace A. Hook[9], b. at Lockridge, Iowa, Sept. 21, 1916; m. Aug. 28, 1937, Della Faye Owens, b. July 10, 1904. Issue: Wallace Allan Hook, b. May 29, 1938; and Michael David Hook, b. Mar. 16, 1940. Family lives at Richland, Mo.

(5) Sarah (Sadie) Hook[8], b. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Feb. 22, 1876; m. Sept. 7, 1904, Henry Edgar Passig, b. Mar. 1, 1869 in Sigourney, Iowa; d. in Claremont, Calif., Dec. 28, 1947. He was the son of Henry Frederick Passig, a Civil War Veteran, as bugler in Co. F, 5th Iowa Infantry, who was b. in Schleswig Holstein, Denmark, and d. on Mar. 10, 1871 in Sigourney, Iowa. His mother was Katharine Salome Keller, b. in Baden, Germany, Jan. 7, 1842; d. in Sigourney, Iowa, Feb. 4, 1920. His grandparents on his mother's side were John George Keller, b. in Baden, Germany, Sept. 8, 1815; d. by accident at Sigourney, Iowa, Sept. 22, 1874, and Margaret B. Yaeger, b. in Baden, Germany, Dec. 27, 1816; d. Mar. 20, 1897. The latter were m. in Baden, July 14, 1840, and emigrated to America between 1846 and 1848, and settled in Crawford Co., Ohio. They moved to Keokuk Co., Iowa, about five years later.

Sarah (Hook) Passig attended public schools of Wapello Co., Iowa, until 1893, when she spent the winter with her sister in Humboldt, Iowa, and attended High School. Entered Iowa State College 1895, graduating 1898 with degree of B. Sc. After the death of her mother she kept up the home for her father until 1901, when she joined the faculty of Iowa State College as instructor in Public Speaking. She introduced in 1903 and directed the Department of Physical Education for women in the college and was acting head of the Department of Public Speaking in the college in the absence on leave of Professor Adrian M. Newens, 1902-1903. She resigned her position with the College at the time of her marriage in 1904. She at once became active in the affairs of her community and helped to

obtain a free public library for her town, 1906-1907. She has been an active member of the Unitarian Church, teacher in its Sunday School, a member of its Board of Trustees, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Unitarian Association of the State of Iowa. She was Chairman of the 10th Iowa District Woman's Suffrage Campaign, 1916-1920, also chairman of that same district of the Woman's Division Liberty Loan Campaign, 1917-1919. She was County Chairman of the Finance Committee, Iowa Red Cross, 1917-1919, and Chairman of the County War Savings Stamp Campaign, 1918. She also served as member of the Board of Governors of the Iowa Division of the English Speaking Union of the U. S., as Treasurer and Third Vice President Iowa League of Women Voters and as President (two terms) of the Iowa State College Alumni Association. She is a member of the Iowa State Historical Association, P. E. O. Sisterhood and W. R. C. and for several years served as a member of Speaker's Bureau of Federated Woman's Club. She has addressed many audiences and is a monologist and public speaker of much talent. In 1928 her husband retired from his banking work in Humboldt, Iowa, and established a new home first in Upland and later in Claremont, Calif. No issue.

(6) Jesse Hook[8], b. June 12, 1878; d. Sept. 8, 1880.

(7) Infant dau.[8], b. Sept. 20, 1880; d. Sept. 22, 1880.

(8) Fredie Hook[8], b. Jan. 3, 1882; d. Mar. 19, 1883.

(9) James William Hook[8], b. Jan. 9, 1884 in Wapello Co., Iowa; m. Sept. 17, 1907, Hattie Rosemond Bechtel of Fort Dodge, Iowa; b. Dec. 16, 1885. (For Bechtel Genealogy see the book "Karl Bechtel of Hanau, Germany" by James W. Hook, 1936.) Graduated 1905, from Iowa State College, in Mechanical Engineering Course. While in college he was editor of the college paper and a member of the Athletic Council. He went to Cody, Wyo., in the fall of 1905, where with his brother-in-law, H. E. Passig, he bought into and became editor of Cody, Wyo., "Enterprise". Sold the newspaper and returned to Iowa, 1906. Employed by Des Moines Edison Light Co. and as engineer with Globe Machinery and Supply Company of Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 1907 to Oct. 1909. Sales Manager and General Manager, C. A. Dunham Company of Marshalltown, Iowa, 1909-1916. Awarded a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering by Iowa State College in 1912 and admitted to Tau Beta Pi when it was organized in the college. Was elected President of the Alumni Association of Iowa State College in 1915 and served one year. Was Vice-President, later President of the Allied Machinery Company of America in New York City, 1916-1923, during which time he resided at Tarrytown, N. Y. Was prominently identified with the large war activities of The American International Corporation of New York, 1917-1919, and a Director and Officer of several of its subsidiary corporations. He was a member of the Board of Education of Tarrytown Schools, 1922-1923. He obtained option to purchase majority interest in The Geometric Tool Company of New Haven, Conn., and in September of 1923 he moved to New Haven. Upon death of the incumbent president in October 1923 was elected President and Treasurer of The Geometric Tool Company. On December 1, 1924, he exercised his option and became owner of the majority interest in the Company which he retained until November 30, 1944 when he sold the Company to the Greenfield Tap and Die Corp. of Greenfield, Mass.

During his residence in New Haven he has devoted much time to public affairs. Mayors Advisory Air Board 1925-1929; Vice Pres. Conn. Civil Service Association; director New England Council and in 1936-38 its president. Chairman of the Conn. Unemployment Commission 1930-32; member of President Hoovers' National Comm. for Unemployment 1931-1932; member Conn. Municipal Finance and Relief Commission 1932-1935; Industrial Advisor to Natl. Recovery Adm. 1933-1935 and member of its Industrial Advisory Board, also Vice Chairman of its Durable Goods Committee; member of the Business Advisory Council of the U. S. Dept. of Commerce 1940 to present; member Board of Trustees University of Connecticut since 1935 and Chairman since 1949; declined opportunity to become candidate for Governor in 1938 and Senate in 1940; member of National Republican Platform Comm. 1938-40; elected President of The United Illuminating Co., electrical utility in New Haven and vicinity in 1939 when that company found itself in management difficulties. Established a new management personnel and since 1942 has served as Chairman of the Board. A Trustee of the New Haven Y.M.C.A. since 1938, director of Acme Wire Co. since 1928 and a former director of other New Haven corporations which he resigned because of pressure of other duties. Member of Society of Colonial Wars in Conn. (Gov. 1946-1948), 32nd degree Mason; member Tau Beta Pi and Pi Tau Sigma honorary fraternities and Kappa Sigma Social fraternity. Received Marston Medal for achievement in Eng. from Iowa State College in 1940 and the Alumni Merit Award in 1939. Author "Industry's Obligation to the Unemployed" 1931, published in 1938, and co author "The New Outlook on Business", Harper Bros. 1940.

Children:

(1) James Philip Hook[9], b. at Marshalltown, Iowa, Jan. 22, 1911; d. Mar. 15, 1911.

(2) James William Hook[9], Jr. b. at Marshalltown, Iowa, May 30, 1912; m. June 20, 1942, Dorothy White Hawley, b. at New Haven, Conn. Sept. 2, 1914. She is a dau. of George Shepard Hawley and Jessamine (White) Hawley of New Haven. She attended Mrs. Days School in New Haven and Kendall Hall at Prides Crossing, Mass. James William Hook, Jr. graduated from Taft School at Watertown, Conn. in 1930 and from Yale University B.A. in 1934. Took special work at Colorado School of Mines, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Columbia University after finishing at Yale. Employed by J. Walter Thompson Co., 1935-1940, and by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (A.A.A.) at Bozeman, Montana and Denver, Colorado 1940-1942. Employed by Geometric Tool Co. in New Haven until early in 1943 when he joined the U. S. Marine Corps at Paris Island training base. Later in the year he was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant and transferred to Camp Wright and later to Quantico, Va. where he was assigned to instructional duties. Was honorably discharged early in 1945. Removed to Albuquerque, New Mexico in May of 1948 for health reasons. Joined the Atomic Energy Project at Sandia Base, Albuquerque in September 1948 which is his present vocation.

Children: (1) James Hawley Hook, b. Feb. 21, 1945; (2) Sally Bechtel Hook, b. Jan. 2, 1947; (3) Thomas White Hook, b. Mar. 4, 1948.

Dorothy White Hawley is descended from Joseph Hawley from England in 1630 who settled first in Roxbury, Mass. and permanently at Stratford, Conn. in 1650 and, on her mother's side, from Elder John White from England in 1632 to Cambridge, thence to Hartford in 1639, to Hadley, Mass. in 1659 and back to Hartford again in 1670. She is also a direct descendant of Gov. John Webster of Conn. and of the Mayflower Pilgrims John and Pricilla Alden and is a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Connecticut. State No. 1305. General No. 18652.

(3) Rose Virginia Hook[9], b. at Marshalltown, Iowa, May 23, 1914; graduated Mrs. Day's School, New Haven, Conn., 1932, and from Vassar College, A. B. 1936. Married May 22, 1937 William Haunton Smith, b. Nov. 10, 1908 in So. Hadley Falls, Mass. He graduated from Dartmouth College, 1930, and from Harvard Business College, 1933. At present he holds the position of Treasurer of Springfield Institution for Savings, Springfield, Mass. Family lives in Longmeadow, where she is a member of the Junior League and Vassar Committee and where both are members of the First Church of Longmeadow.

Children (1) Gertrude Hook Smith, called Trudi, b. Aug. 21, 1941; (2) Rose Virginia Barton Smith, called Vicki, b. Oct. 1, 1943; (3) Cynthia Haunton Smith, called Cindi, b. Feb. 21, 1947.

William Haunton Smith is descended from Lt. Samuel Smith of Wethersfield, Conn. and Hadley, Mass. who sailed to America from Ipswich, England, Apr. 30, 1634. The line runs from this Samuel to Chileab, to Chileab II, to Phineas, a Captain in Rev. War, to Levi, also a Revolutionary War soldier, to Levi II who married Fanny Hayes, aunt of President Hayes, to William, to William Hayes Smith, b. July 7, 1859; d. Mar. 14, 1948 who married Oct. 30, 1907 Gertrude Frances Haunton, b. in Thetford, England, Dec. 2, 1871, the daughter of Thomas Thurlow Haunton III of Ixworth, Suffolk, England and his wife Fanny, dau. of William Gill of Thetford, Norfolk, England. He is also a descendant of Rev. John Russell of Hadley, Mass., Thomas Trowbridge of New Haven, Richard Treat of Wethersfield, Conn., Gov. John Webster of Conn. and Elder John White of Hadley, Mass. and Hartford, Conn.

(10) Frank Leslie Hook[8], b. July 4, 1886. He attended the public schools in Wapello Co., Iowa, until 1903 when he entered Iowa State College where he remained for two years. Accompanied his father in 1905 to Park Co., Wyo. Returned after his father's death and turned his attention to cement manufacture. In 1909, he enlisted in the National Army stationed at Fort Leavenworth. Was honorably discharged Aug. of 1910. Re-enlisted Jan. 2, 1911 in Co. I, 3d Battalion Engineers, and was granted furlough Oct. 4, 1911, from which time he has not been heard from. He was a promising youth, a leader in his classes in school and at the time of his disappearance was in line for important advancement in the Army. There is little doubt but that he met with foul play and that his assailant left no trace.

(11) Morris Glen Hook[8], (He writes his name "Maurice" Glen Hook, but the writing in the family Bible is Morris) b. May 7, 1889 in Wapello County, Iowa; m. 1st May 30, 1912, Elizabeth Clark of Toronto, Ont., who was b. June 14, 1888. She is a dau. of John Clark, b. 1856 in the Province of Quebec, and Janet Knox, b. near Stoneman, Quebec, 1856; d. 1892. Parents of John Clark were James Clark and Miriam Berry. Married 2nd., July 7, 1945, Irma Morz, whose son Glen was b. Mar. 10, 1935.

Morris Glen Hook attended public schools in Wapello Co., Iowa, until 1905 when he went to Humboldt, Iowa, to live with his sister Sarah, where he graduated from high school in 1908. Attended Iowa State College for two years. Employed by C. A. Dunham Company of Marshalltown, Iowa, 1910. Sent by that Company to its Canadian factory in Toronto, Ont., same year where he remained until Jan. 1, 1912, when he went to Winnipeg, Man., to become engineer to the Provincial Architect. In 1915 he resigned his position in Winnipeg to re-enter college. Remained in college but one semester when he accepted position with C. A. Dunham Company as its Eastern Division Engineer with headquarters in New York City. On July 1, 1917, he was advanced to the position of Manager of his Company's New York office, which position he held until 1930 when he resigned to enter business for himself as Heating Engineer. In 1934 he joined the Geometric Tool Company as Divisional Manager in Detroit, Mich., which position he resigned in 1945. He became a Heating Engineer of repute and published a number of articles on heating of buildings in Engineering Journals. He was for years a member of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers and served upon its Nominating Committee. His work in Detroit shifted his interests to tool engineering. He is a member of the American Society of Tool Engineers. He is also a Mason and a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, the Fraternity Club of N.Y., and Forest Lake Country Club of Detroit. He now lives retired at Hubbard Lake, Michigan. Issue, one dau.:

(1) Marguerite Hook[9], b. Apr. 22, 1913; m. June 4, 1935, Paul Zack Cummins, b. at Oblong, Ill., Oct. 28, 1912 and lived later in Syracuse, N. Y. Both are graduates of Syracuse University. Family resides in Syracuse, New York. Issue: (1) Paul Zack Cummins, Jr., b. May 1, 1936; (2) William Glen Cummins, b. Nov. 22, 1940; (3) Judy Ann Cummins, b. 1943.

DANIEL HOOK'S DESCENDANTS

DANIEL HOOK[5], son of Captain James Hook[4], was born in what is now Greene County, Pennsylvania, June 11, 1782, and died July 8, 1867, in the same county. He married September 8, 1808, Ann Nancy Kent, born October 18, 1785; died May 14, 1872. She was a daughter of Thomas and Ann (Ralston) Kent. He was a Justice of the Peace of Greene County, Pennsylvania, for over thirty years. He was a pillar in the Methodist Church in Waynesburg and a highly respected citizen.

HIS FAMILY CONSISTED OF ONE SON AND ONE DAUGHTER:

(1) Son[6], d. in infancy.

(2) Mary Hook[6] (called Aunt Polly), b. June 22, 1815; d. May 30, 1891. M. Peter Kent and had issue eight children, as follows:

  (1) Thomas J. Kent[7], m. Mary Vickers. Issue: Mary Ada Kent and Albert Kent.

  (2) John Milton Kent[7], b. Sept. 30, 1835; d. July 2, 1891; m. Nannie Wallace and had two sons, James and William. He was a Captain and later a Colonel in the Union Forces of the War of the Rebellion, Co. I, 8th Pa. Reserves and Co. K, 5th Pa. Art.

  (3) Eliza Kent[7].

  (4) Sarah Kent[7], m. N. B. O'Neil and had issue: Mattie and Goldie.

  (5) William Kent[7].

  (6) Henry Kent[7].

  (7) George Kent[7].

  (8) Mary Kent[7], b. 1850; d. Dec. 14, 1932. Never married. Lived in Waynesburg, Pa.

ARTHUR HOOK'S DESCENDANTS

ARTHUR HOOK[5], son of Captain James Hook[4], was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, probably about 1786, and died in same county January 20, 1820. He married April 12, 1812, Catherine Kent, born February 8, 1787, died May 27, 1866, dau. of Thomas and Ann (Ralston) Kent. Arthur Hook is said to have been buried in the old Hook burying grounds on the former homestead of his father about four miles east of Waynesburg. His wife was buried in the old cemetery in the eastern part of Waynesburg where the marker to her memory still stands.

CHILDREN, FOUR SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER:

(1) Samuel Hook[6], b. Dec. 31, 1812; d. Nov. 13, 1897; m. Apr. 18, 1839, Sarah Scott, of Greene Co., Pa., b. Oct. 14, 1817; d. Oct. 18, 1903. Family located in Vigo Co., Ind., about 12 miles from Terre Haute. He was a mill-wright and farmer. Issue as follows:

(1) John L. Hook[7], b. Mar. 7, 1840; d. Sept. 25, 1851.

(2) Maria Hook[7], b. Aug. 15, 1841; d. Mar. 2, 1879; m. Samuel S. Burgan, b. Sept. 27, 1835; d. Feb. 18, 1917. Issue: (1) Ethel, b. Feb. 23, 1877; m. July 28, 1895, Charles Gardner, b. May 18, 1870. Family living in Vigo Park, Tex.

(3) Catherine Hook[7], b. Jan. 27, 1843; d. May 27, 1845.

(4) Harriett Hook[7], b. Jan. 24, 1845; d. Sept. 14, 1883, m. Mr. Taber. Had issue: two daughters.

(5) Martha J. Hook[7], b. Dec. 18, 1846; d. Apr. 30, 1916. Unm.

(6) Lucy Hook[7], b. Apr. 4, 1850; d. Feb. 21, 1919; m. I. C. Brandt. Two children: (1) Arthur Hook Brandt, b. Apr. 1, 1882; m. Ada Morse. Family living San Francisco. Occupation, Attorney-at-Law; (2) Roscoe Cooper Brandt, b. 1884; m. Hazel Perkins. Family living at Stockton, Calif.

(7) Laura Hook[7], b. Mar. 14, 1851; d. Aug. 6, 1927; m. Mar. 14, 1883, N. E. Carpenter. Family living Stockton, Calif. Two children; (1) Thomas Hook Carpenter, b. May 13, 1884; (2) Anna Live Carpenter, b. Nov. 24, 1890.

(8) Emily Hook[7], b. Jan. 25, 1853; m. Jan. 13, 1889, Clifford Davis. Two children: (1) Stanley M. Davis, b. Jan. 13, 1890; m. Sept. 12, 1918, Anna Hampton; (2) Dorsa D. Davis, b. 1895; d. 1897.

(9) Thomas Hook[7], b. Mar. 17, 1856; m. Mar. 7, 1890, Margaret Russell; b. Nov. 21, 1858; d. Oct. 27, 1906. Family lived at Pimento, Ind. Issue, three, as follows: (1) Xenia Hook, b. July 10, 1891; m. Mar. 15, 1921, Albert D. Pigg; (2) Macy Hook, b. Apr. 19, 1893; m. Feb. 14, 1914, Cecil M. Bailey; (3) Russell S. Hook, b. June 14, 1895; m. June 10, 1922, Letha M. Bramblet.

(10) Arthur Hook[7], b. Oct. 8, 1859; d. Nov. 15, 1917; m. Aug. 27, 1891, Ada Hickman, b. Feb. 17, 1863; d. Jan. 9, 1924. Issue, as follows: (1) Lester Hook, b. June 28, 1892; d. Feb. 13, 1893; (2) Esther Hook, b. Dec. 18, 1893; m. Dec. 29, 1917, George Brown; (3) Neil Hook, b. Sept. 23, 1895; (4) Forrest Hook, b. Oct. 7, 1898; (5) Rex Hook, b. Nov. 23, 1899; (6) Mary Hook, b. June 27, 1902; m. Mar. 3, 1923, Laurel McGlone; (7) Harriet Hook, b. Mar. 3, 1904; (8) Lena Hook, b. June 28, 1906.

(2) John T. Hook[6], b. Jan. 20, 1814; d. Nov. 3, 1883; m. Jan. 14, 1836, Eliza Inghram, b. July 13, 1817; d. May 4, 1901, dau. of William and Sarah (Adams) Inghram. Both buried in Greene Mount Cemetery, Waynesburg, Pa. Issue as follows:

(1) Sarah I. Hook[7], (see forward for descendants), b. Oct. 26, 1836; d. Nov. 22, 1913; m. Oct. 31, 1861, Josiah Inghram, b. Oct. 5, 1819; d. Aug. 3, 1879. Family lived near Waynesburg, Pa.

(2) William Arthur Hook[7], b. Oct. 13, 1838; d. June 7, 1915. Never m. Educated Waynesburg College, practiced law for many years in Waynesburg, Pa. Dist. Atty. for Greene Co., Pa., was candidate for Judge of County Court at time of his death.

(3) Thomas Hook[7], (see forward for descendants) b. Sept. 27, 1840; d. Apr. 28, 1906. M. 1st Aug. 30, 1863, Sarah Patterson, b. Jan. 1, 1841; d. Oct. 9, 1877; m. 2d, May 16, 1885, Susannah Inghram, b. May 10, 1850; d. Feb. 5, 1908.

(4) Catherine Hook[7], (see forward for descendants) b. Nov. 17, 1842; d. Sept. 29, 1922; m. Oct. 18, 1862, William Blair, b. Mar. 7, 1838; d. Dec. 3, 1916.

(5) Rebecca Hook[7], b. 1845; d. 1847.

(6) John Polk Hook[7], b. Jan. 25, 1849; d. Dec. 21, 1924; m. Dec. 30, 1873, Mary Elizabeth Holmes, b. May 13, 1850; d. May 2, 1918. He attended Waynesburg College. At time of his death was living with his dau. in Waynesburg, Pa. Issue: (1) Louise M. Hook, b. Apr. 27, 1875, graduate Waynesburg College, degree A.B. later A.M. She served as Regent John Corbly Chapter D.A.R. Waynesburg, Pa. 1938-1941. Librarian State Society D.A.R. in P. 1941-1944; (2) Cora B. Hook, b. June 12, 1878; d. June 17, 1919; a graduate of Waynesburg College, degree A.B. Neither dau. married.

(7) Agnes Hook[7], b. July 29, 1851; d. Apr. 14, 1885; m. June 22, 1882, George Huggins. No issue.

(8) Robert Inghram Hook[7], b. Sept. 26, 1853; d. May 6, 1909; m. Sept. 27, 1877, Grace Greenwood Stevens; b. Mar. 24, 1851. Family lived in Washington, Pa. Issue, two, as follows: (1) Nora Stevens Hook, b. Apr. 21, 1879; m. Aug. 7, 1906, James Clyde Rogers, b. May 8, 1885. Family living, Washington, Pa., with three children: Helen Hook Rogers, b. 1907, Georgia Luvina Rogers, b. 1910 and Robert Edward Rogers, b. 1913. (2) Edward Terwilliger Hook, b. Aug. 23, 1882; d. Oct. 26, 1918, at American Hospital in Mexico City, Mex. He is buried there in the American Cemetery.

(9) Eliza Hook[7], b. Mar. 19, 1856; d. Oct. 13, 1936; m. June 30, 1877, Andrew Francis Silveus, b. Dec. 5, 1851; d. Jan. 3, 1922. He was an attorney-at-law in Waynesburg, Pa. Issue, two as follows: (1) Jessie Silveus, b. Sept. 30, 1878; d. July 14, 1940; m. Oct. 2, 1901, George Edward Huffman, b. May 19, 1880. Living in Waynesburg, Pa. (2) John T. Silveus, b. Oct. 9, 1884; m. May 10, 1921, L. Gladys Meek. Issue: Eliza Jane Silveus, b. Apr. 1, 1922. Family lived in Waynesburg, Pa.

(10) Jennie Hook[7], b. Mar. 12, 1858; d. Jan. 20, 1946; m. May 31, 1886, John Dickerson Sturgis, b. Dec. 18, 1849; d. Sept. 13, 1910. Attended Waynesburg College. Family lived in Washington, Pa. Issue, two, as follows:

(1) Florence Hook Sturgis[8], b. Sept. 21, 1888; m. Apr. 3, 1923, William Alexander Hamilton McIlvaine, b. Mar. 1, 1871; d. July 31, 1945. He was a prominent attorney in Washington, Pa. Mrs. McIlvaine attended Washington Public Schools and graduated at Washington Seminary, a school founded 1836. Prominent in community affairs, Y.W.C.A., Regent Wash. Co. Penna, D.A.R. 1935-1938, Natl. Vice Chairman Natl. Defense Comm. N.S.D.A.R. 1938-1941.

(2) Bessie Madeline Sturgis[8], b. Apr. 6, 1891; d. Nov. 26, 1950; m. Oct. 30, 1913, John Charles Judson, an attorney in Washington, Pa., b. Jan. 14, 1889; d. July 14, 1942. Family living in Washington, Pa. Issue: Mary Elizabeth Judson, b. Aug. 22, 1920; m. Feb. 15, 1941, Joseph Lacko, b. Mar. 23, 1913. Issue: (1) John David Lacko, b. June 21, 1942; (2) Joseph Judson Lacko, b. Dec. 16, 1943. Mrs. Judson graduated from Washington Seminary. At present a D.A.R., member Y.W.C.A. and active in other clubs and organizations.

(3) James Hook[6], b. July 8, 1815; d. June 23, 1895; m. Vienna Herring, b. May 24, 1821; d. Apr. 24, 1897. Family accompanied that of brother Samuel and located in Terre Haute, Ind. Carpenter and contractor. Issue as follows:

(1) Arthur Hook[7], b. Aug. 19, 1841; d. Nov. 16, 1841.

(2) Elizabeth Hook[7], b. May 10, 1846; d. Nov. 25, 1846.

(3) Harriett M. Hook[7], b. Sept. 10, 1847; d. June 24, 1852.

(4) Carrie Hook[7], b. Sept. 14, 1853; d. Nov. 25, 1860.

(5) Mary Hook[7], b. Mar. 4, 1859; d. Aug. 25, 1859.

(6) George Hook[7], b. Apr. 16, 1861; d. immediately.

(7) Thomas Kent Hook[7], b. June 21, 1843; d. unm. Aug. 10, 1878.

(8) James Hook[7], b. Sept. 5, 1849; d. unm. Sept. 1, 1909.

(9) Anna M. Hook[7], b. May 10, 1856; d. Jan. 23, 1915; m. Aug. 30, 1876, Samuel L. Fenner. Family living in Terre Haute, Ind. Issue: (1) Anna, b. May 21, 1879; d. Mar. 25, 1916; m. May 18, 1912, Walter Beecher; (2) Lamar E. Fenner, b. Dec. 10, 1880; m. May 18, 1905, Maud A. Wilbur.

(4) Thomas Hook[6], b. Nov. 20, 1816; d. Oct. 11, 1888. He married twice, the second wife being Anna Conklin Greenfield who died May 28, 1895. At the time of the gold boom in California in California in 1849-50 he started overland with a party who abandoned him in the desert when he became too ill to travel. Fortune smiled on him and brought a party of "Oddfellows" his way. Being a member of that order himself, he was taken up, nursed back to health, and taken on. He became wealthy near Stockton, Calif., and having no issue by either of his marriages, willed his large holdings to his nieces and nephews.

(5) Sarah Hook[6], b. Feb. 13, 1818; d. Oct. 15, 1895, at Jefferson, Pa.; m. Job Ridgeway, b. Apr. 3, 1814 and had issue: (1) Catherine; (2) Samuel; (3) Craven; (4) Charles; (5) John; (6) Thomas; (7) James; (8) Lydia Ann; (9) Lucy; (10) Vienna, who d. 1823, and (11) Eliza, who m. Solomon Horn. Family lived in Jefferson, Pa.

CHILDREN OF SARAH INGHRAM HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JOHN T. HOOK[6] AND ELIZA (INGHRAM) HOOK) AND JOSIAH INGHRAM:

(1) Eliza Inghram[8], b. Aug. 7, 1862; d. Oct. 14, 1876.

(2) Lucy Inghram[8], b. May 9, 1864; d. 1925. Lived Waynesburg, Pa.

(3) Louise Inghram[8], b. May 27, 1867; m. Oct. 16, 1890, Eleazer Luse Denny, b. Sept. 18, 1865; d. Apr. 1, 1910. Widow living at Waynesburg, Pa. Issue:

(1) Mary Inghram Denny[9], b. July 15, 1891; m. May 21, 1929, Charles A. Weaver. She is an accomplished musician, having studied in Paris under Mme. Boulanger.

(2) Josephine Denny[9], b. Aug. 31, 1893, a graduate of Waynesburg College.

(3) Helen Denny[9], b. Mar. 26, 1896; m. Nov. 12, 1924, Willis George Howard of Chicago. She is a graduate of Waynesburg College and attended Dana Hall, Wellesley, Mass., where she specialized in the violin. She also studied voice under Herbert Witherspoon in New York and has appeared in opera in many eastern cities.

(4) Lizzie Inghram[8], b. Aug. 10, 1869; m. Nov. 12, 1896, John Gerard Rinehart, b. Mar. 4, 1863, d. Apr. 16, 1938. Family lived in Waynesburg, Pa.

(5) John T. Inghram[8], b. Sept. 5, 1873; d. Oct. 24, 1940; m. Oct. 26, 1897, Olive Inghram, b. Nov. 22, 1870.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS HOOK[7] (SON OF JOHN T. HOOK[6] AND ELIZA (INGHRAM) HOOK) AND HIS FIRST WIFE, SARAH PATTERSON:

(1) Ida Hook[8], b. Aug. 19, 1864; d. Mar. 29, 1944; m. Mar. 13, 1883, William C. Ely. Family living, Waynesburg, Pa. Issue, two daughters.

(1) Mary Elizabeth Ely[9], b. Nov. 9, 1883; m. Aug. 1, 1903, Norman Orndoff. Family living, Waynesburg, Pa.

(2) Edith Ely[9], b. Apr. 9, 1891; d. Nov. 10, 1922; m. Sept. 9, 1919, John L. Meighen.

(2) Lucy Hook[8], b. Sept. 30, 1870; m. Sept. 20, 1892, Florin C. Thomas. Family living near Waynesburg, Pa. Issue one dau. Sarah Pauline Thomas, b. 1895; m. July 5, 1917 J. E. Riggs.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS HOOK[7] (SON OF JOHN T. HOOK[6] AND ELIZA (INGHRAM) HOOK) AND HIS SECOND WIFE, SUSANNAH INGHRAM:

(1) Wilma Helena Hook[8], b. Dec. 7, 1887; d. Oct. 4, 1917; m. Sept. 28, 1916, E. F. Williamson.

(2) Jane Holland Hook[8], b. Apr. 29, 1889; m. Sept. 22, 1915, Reverend Frank D. Scott. Family living at Endeavor, Pa.

CHILDREN OF CATHERINE HOOK[7] (DAUGHTER OF JOHN T. HOOK[6] AND ELIZA (INGHRAM) HOOK) AND HER HUSBAND, WILLIAM BLAIR:

(1) Thomas Lazear Blair[8], b. Sept. 2, 1863; graduate of Cincinnati Medical College; m. 1st. Sept. 4, 1890, Ida Frye, b. Mar. 9, 1867; d. Aug. 25, 1911. M. 2d, Aug. 26, 1914, Jean Burns Wright.

(2) Laura E. Blair[8], b. Jan. 29, 1865; d. Feb. 8, 1877.

(3) Jesse Hook Blair[8], b. May 31, 1866; d. Jan. 29, 1946; m. Mar. 1890, Sarah Summersgill. Family living, Waynesburg, Pa.

(4) Sarah Agnes Blair[8], b. Sept. 1, 1867; m. Oct. 3, 1889, Eli Gaddis Baily. Family living, Carmichaels, Pa.

(5) Elizabeth C. Blair[8], b. Mar. 5, 1869. Living, Waynesburg, Pa.

(6) Haddie Blair[8], b. 1870; d. 1876.

(7) Eliza Blair[8], b. 1872; d. 1872.

(8) John Campbell Blair[8], b. Dec. 9, 1873; m. Mar. 12, 1921, Clara Barr Jones.

(9) Margaret L. Blair[8], b. Jan. 9, 1876; m. 1st, Sept. 16, 1897, Rev. Calvin W. Rea. M. 2d, Nov. 24, 1910, R. Lloyd Baily.

(10) Ida Hook Blair[8], b. Oct. 15, 1878; d. Aug. 29, 1940; m. Aug. 28, 1907, Frank R. Hill. Living, Waynesburg, Pa.

PART V

Brief Genealogies of the families of MAHOLM, LYLE, ELLER, McNIEL and VANNOY with which the HOOK and ELLER families intermarried.

THE MAHOLM FAMILY

The Maholms came from Northern Ireland to Pennsylvania and settled in Lancaster County. The ancestor was JAMES MAHOLM[1] who arrived about 1748 and settled in Little Brittan township, Lancaster County. Early records indicate that the emigrant spelled the name Melholm.* On March 20, 1769, he bought 300 acres of land in Drumore Township, Lancaster County, from James Moore, in which he was called James Meholm, yeoman. He died in 1784 and his estate was appraised by his two sons James[2] and Samuel[2]. The name of the deceased in the appraisal papers was spelled Mulholm. The sons signed with different spellings. James spelled his name Malholam and Samuel spelled his Maleholam. On March 30, 1801, the two sons signed the Administration Account still differently. Both spelled the name Mulholam. Other records indicate still further variations such as Mulhalen, Mulhallan, Mulhallon and Mulholm, but they referred to identical persons. The name was not spelled Maholm until after Samuel and John moved to Harrison County, Ohio, in 1805.

JAMES MELHOLM, OR MEHOLM, WHO DIED IN 1784 HAD SEVERAL CHILDREN AMONG WHOM WERE:

(1) James Maholm[2]. He deeded the land purchased by his father in 1769 to Christian Schenck in 1794. He was a soldier in the Pennsylvania Militia in the Revolutionary War.

(2) Samuel Maholm[2], b. 1759, or 1760, d. 1838. He applied for a pension in 1833, saying in his application that he was b. in Little Brittain Township, Lancaster Co., Pa., in 1759 or 1760. He also states therein that he was drafted into the service of the U. S. in Oct., 1775. He marched with his company under command of Capt. James Morrison to Philadelphia. In consequence of his older brother being in same company, he was permitted to return home after three weeks' service. In Nov., 1776, he was again drafted for two months' service. He marched again with Capt. Morrison to Philadelphia and thence to Trenton, arriving at the latter place on the day the battle there took place. Here they met the Army under command of Gen. Washington. They marched the next night (after Lord Cornwallis arrived at Trenton) to Princeton. The militia (to which Maholm belonged) were some distance in the rear of the Regular Army and did not arrive until the battle was over. He says he marched from Princeton to Morristown where Washington's Army went into winter quarters. At the end of two months he was permitted to return home.

* A John Mehelm emigrated to America from Ireland before the Revolutionary War and settled in Berks County, Pennsylvania. He was a teacher and was noted for his scholarship and penmanship. He was a friend and companion of General Washington and Colonel of the 4th Regiment of Hunterden Co., N.J. and on the staff of Major General Dickerson. He was a member of the Provincial Congress which met at Burlington, N.J. June 10, 1776.

In September, 1777, he was drafted again and was marched to within two or three miles of Brandywine, N.J., where he remained for two months and then discharged. He was again drafted in September, 1781, and marched into New Jersey where he was when news of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis arrived. He stated in his application that he moved to Harrison Co., Ohio, near Cadiz, in 1805. He had a bro. John, who in a deposition substantiating his bro. Samuel's application, stated that he (John) was twelve or thirteen years old when his brother Samuel was first drafted in 1775.

SAMUEL MAHOLM[2], m. Jane, about 1777 and had issue as follows, all of whom except Eleanor were mentioned in his will written Feb. 25, 1833, and probated in Harrison Co., Ohio, in 1838. Practically all of the children did well and some, as well as some of the son-in-laws, became very wealthy.

(1) Jane Maholm[3], b. 1778; d. 1833; m. James Wilson, b. 1777; d. 1852.

(2) Nancy Maholm[3], b. 1779; m. Walter B. Beebe, b. 1786; d. 1836.

(3) Mary Maholm[3], b. Mar. 21, 1783; d. July 26, 1853; m. William Lyle, b. Jan. 18, 1777; d. Feb. 6, 1849. (For Lyle Genealogy see forward.) She was called Polly in her father's will, also in her own, but she signed the latter Mary Lyle.

(4) Elizabeth Maholm[3], m. James McNutt; d. 1855. Of issue; Arthur, b. 1821; died intestate in 1894 leaving a large estate of which James Hook[7], who married Virginia Eller, received several hundred dollars as his share. Arthur McNutt was a cousin of the mother of James Hook. Family resided near Cadiz, Ohio.

(5) Margaret Maholm[3], b. 1790; d. 1858.

(6) James Maholm[3], b. 1794; d. 1859; m. Axie (maiden name unknown) b. 1810; d. 1871.

(7) John Maholm[3], b. 1795; d. 1854.

(8) Hannah Maholm[3], m. Phillips.

(9) Dorcas Maholm[3], m. John Bleaks.

(10) Eleanor Maholm[3].

(11) Samuel Maholm[3].

(12) Sarah Maholm[3], b. 1803; d. 1848, unm.

(13) Ann Maholm[3], m. Gleason.

(3) John Maholm[2], b. 1762-3. Moved in 1805 to Harrison Co., Ohio, near Cadiz.

(4) Hugh Maholm[2] (probably), Will probated in Jefferson Co., Ohio, 1822. Wife, Martha, Nephew, James Carson, Bro.-in-law, Thomas Johnson.

(5) Joseph Maholm[2] (probably), Will probated in Jefferson Co., Ohio, 1826. Children mentioned in will: (1) Elizabeth M. Talbot; (2) John; (3) William; (4) Hugh; (5) Thomas; (6) Joseph; (7) Margaret M. Johnson.

THE LYLE FAMILY

The name Lyle, Lisle, Lyll, and Lyell and similar derivations, seems to have come from "de l' Isle," meaning "of the island". This would indicate that the common ancestor was one of the Lords of the western islands. The name is still found among the higher gentry in Scotland. The name is also found in Southern England and France, many centuries back, which suggests that it came from Normandy with William the Conqueror. At any rate, the name is a prominent one in Scotland and Northern Ireland, from whence many immigrants found their way to America.

WILLIAM LYLE[6] of this genealogy, who married Mary Maholm in Ohio, was a descendant of the Lyles of Toreagh, County of Antrim, Ireland. The Toreagh family came from Ayrshire in Scotland. It was one those Scotch families that settled on the lands of Sir Randall MacDonnell in the vicinity of Larne about 1606.

JOHN LYLL[1] was a son of the Scotch progenitor of the Toreagh family. He was born about 1615 and in 1640 was married to Florence Montgomery. Four of their children were Thomas[2], JAMES[2], Jane[2], and David[2]. JAMES[2], was born about 1645 and died 1723. He married Martha Campbell in 1670. A daughter of this union was MARY LYLL[3] who married JOHN LYLE from Ayrshire, Scotland.

TWO SONS WERE BORN TO JOHN AND MARY LYLE[3] AS FOLLOWS:

(1) Robert Lyle[4], b. 1698; d. 1765; m. 1747, Mary Gilleland, who d. in 1792.

(2) John Lyle[4], b. 1708; d. 1792; m. Rosanna (probably) MacDowell in Ireland.

These two brothers emigrated from their home in County Antrim, Ireland, to New Jersey, in 1741, where John[4] remained until his death. Robert[4] moved in 1747 to Northampton County, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1765, leaving a widow, Mary, and children, as follows: (1) John[5]; (2) Robert, Jr.[5]; (3) Moses[5]; (4) Aaron[5]; (5) David[5]; (6) Jane[5]; (7) Elizabeth[5]; (8) Rosanna[5]; (9) Eleanor[5] and (10) Mary[5]. After the Revolutionary War, John[5], Robert, Jr.[5] and Aaron[5], who had distinguished themselves in the service of their country, moved to Washington County, Pennsylvania, where they lived long and useful lives. Sons of Robert, Jr.[5], named John[6], born

1787, and William[6], born 1789, moved to Belmont, later Harrison County, Ohio.

JOHN LYLE[4] and Rosanna Lyle had sons, JOHN LYLE[5], born 1739 in Ireland, and Robert[5]. The son JOHN LYLE[5] married Jane (maiden name unknown), born 1744; died 1786, and had issue as follows: (1) John[6]; (2) Andrew[6]; (3) Mary[6]; (4) Samuel[6]; (5) WILLIAM[6] and (6) George[6]. The family lived near New Brunswick, New Jersey. After the death of their mother in 1786 the care of the younger children was left to other Lyle Families. WILLIAM[6] lived with his father's cousins in Washington County, Pennsylvania, and, about 1805, settled with two of their sons in Harrison County, Ohio. There he met and, in 1806, married Mary (called Polly) Maholm. The WILLIAM LYLE[6] family as follows:

WILLIAM LYLE[6], b. Jan. 18, 1777, in New Brunswick, N. J.; d. Feb. 6, 1849, in Vinton Co., Ohio. M. in Cadiz, Ohio, Mary Maholm, b. Mar. 21, 1783; d. in Vinton Co., Ohio, July 26, 1853. (See Maholm Genealogy.) About 1820 the family moved to Carroll Co., Ohio, and in 1844 to what is now Vinton Co., Ohio. They were a highly respected family and frugal managers and amassed a considerable estate. Both are buried in the old cemetery about a mile north of Allenville, Vinton Co., Ohio.

THEIR CHILDREN, ALL BUT SAMUEL MENTIONED IN MOTHER'S WILL WERE:

(1) John Lyle[7].

(2) Sarah Lyle[7], b. Oct. 3, 1807, in Harrison Co., Ohio; d. Aug. 4, 1882, in Wapello Co., Iowa; m. Mar. 6, 1828, JAMES GRANT HOOK[6], b. Sept. 7, 1805 in Greene Co., Pa.; d. Sept. 4, 1884, in Wapello Co., Iowa. (See Hook Family herewith, particularly page 97)

(3) James Lyle[7].

(4) Samuel Lyle[7].

(5) Mary Ann Lyle[7], b. 1810; d. 1885; m. Eli Garret, b. 1812; d. 1859.

(6) William Lyle[7], b. 1812; d. 1861; m. Jane Lewis, b. 1817.

(7) Robert Lyle[7], b. 1814; d. 1891; m. Catherine Fogel, b. 1822; d. 1901. Lived in Allenville, Ohio.

(8) George Lyle[7].

(9) Foster Lyle[7], m. Emily Redfern.

(10) Butler Lyle[7], m. Elizabeth Ann Sears.

(11) Harrison Lyle[7], b. 1820; d. 1876; m. Nancy Rose, b. 1822; d. 1867.

(12) Jane (Jennie) Lyle[7], m. Lawsen Williams.

(13) Andrew Jackson Lyle[7], b. 1825; d. 1857; unm.

ELLER FAMILY*

JOHN ELLER[3] whose great granddaughter Virginia Eller married James Hook[7] (See Hook Family) was born in Rowan County, North Carolina about 1765 or 1766 and died in Wilkes County, North Carolina in 1823. He married (the license was issued in Rowan County, N. C. Nov. 5, 1792) Susanna Kearns of Rowan Co. born, probably in Guilford County, N. C., in 1766; died in Wilkes Co., N. C. April 10, 1853 at age of 87. David Eller, son of John and Susanna (Kearns) Eller confirmed the ancestry of his father to his grand nephew Rev. William Eller, saying that John's father was George Eller[2], son of Chrissy (sic) Eller the latter of whom came to Rowan County, N. C. from Lancaster Co. Pennsylvania before 1765. Chrissy Eller no doubt was Christian Eller[1] who came to America on the ship "Restauration" in 1747, lived for a time in Lancaster County, finally settling in Rowan County, North Carolina. He died there in 1804 leaving children (named in his will) John, George, Henry, Frederick, Susannah and Barbara. The will of Paul Beefle written in 1764 and probated in Rowan County, N. C. in 1777 refers to his son-in-law Christian Eller. There is some question about John Eller's father being George. This question arises from the fact that one Peter Eller[2] died in Ashe County, once a part of Wilkes County, before 1807 and left an estate that was settled by John, Peter, Jacob and Henry Eller, George Koons, William Pennington and James Baumgardner. These Eller names correspond with John Eller who married Susanna Kearns and his known brothers, named in the note at the bottom of this page. This Peter Eller originally lived in Rowan County as records prove. The 1790 census shows him living in Wilkes County (now Ashe County) where he was granted land on Reedy Creek in 1788 and on Rones

* See the Genealogy "James Hook and Virginia Eller" by James W. Hook, 1925 for more about the Eller Family.

Note

The brothers of John Eller were (1) Peter Eller who died on his farm on Ceroles Creek, in Wilkes Co., N. C. Nov. 1851. He married about 1792 Mary Pennington and raised a family of 12 children; (2) Jacob Eller b. about 1772; d. on his farm on Mill Creek, Wilkes Co., N. C., Nov. 3, 1855 at age of 83 years. He married about 1804 Katie White who d. Jan. 3, 1854 and raised a family of 10 children; (3) Henry Eller, who died in Ashe Co., N. C. about 1876 at age of over 90 years. He married in 1814 Elizabeth Johnson of Iradell Co., N. C. and raised a family of 8 children. (See the genealogy "James Hook and Virginia Eller" by James W. Hook, 1925)

Creek in 1789. Both of these properties were sold by him prior to 1796. Very probably he was a son of Christian Eller above mentioned and not living when the latter's will was written and, therefore, not mentioned. It might easily be true, also, that David Eller above mentioned erred in giving the name of his grandfather or in some way confused his grandnephew William so that he wrote down the wrong name. Since both Peter and George Eller moved away from Rowan Co., N. C. in the middle seventeen eighties it would be easy to confuse them.

John Eller first lived in Ashe County at the old ford of the New River on the main road from Wilkesboro to Jefferson. Here his five sons and three daughters were born. In 1816 he purchased land on the North Branch of the Lewis Fork of the Yadkin River in Wilkes County. This land bordered the farms of Col. Benjamin Cleveland, Nathaniel Vannoy and John Shepherd. The New Hope Baptist Meeting House was built upon his land and in the cemetery close by lie the bodies of John and Susanna (Kearns) Eller, John's body having been reinterred there, after his wife's death, from its first resting place in the Robert Cleveland's burial ground near by. Both John and Susanna were devoted Baptists. Their family Bible records the names of their five sons and three daughters as given below.

The Eller immigrants were Dunkards. Old family letters refer to them as Baptist Brethren or Dunkers (sic). They embraced the Baptist faith upon arrival in America and for the most part their descendants have remained faithful to that church to present times. The earlier suggestion that they may have been Lutherans or Ronsdorfers has been disproved.

The family is a very ancient one in Germany. Its ancestral seat was near Dussledorf where Drosten Christian Ludwig von Eller was the last to carry on the Baronetcy title. Others of the family possessed high orders of dignity, while others became writers, teachers, physicians and explorers.

CHILDREN OF JOHN[3] AND SUSANNA (KEARNS) ELLER:

(1) Simeon Eller[4], b. Sept. 7, 1794; d. June 19, 1850; m. (the license was issued in Wilkes Co., N. C., Apr. 16, 1717), Fanny McNiel, b. Jan. 12, 1799; d. Oct. 4, 1856. She was a dau. of James and Mary (Shepherd)

McNiel. (See McNiel Family.) Both lie buried in the New Hope Cemetery northwest of Wilkesboro, N. C. He was a prominent man in the vicinity of his home, a deacon in the New Hope church, a captain in the local militia and a founder with his brother Peter of the Wilkesboro Academy which was one of the first schools of importance in western North Carolina. The family lived on Coles Creek, a tributary of the North Fork of Lewis Fork Creek in Wilkes Co., N. C. Fanny McNiel was a dau. of James and Mary (Shepherd) McNiel (See McNiel Family herewith). Simeon Eller, in addition to operating his farm, was a skilled gunsmith and operated the local blacksmith shop. A gun made by him was lately in possession of one of his grandsons by his son Anderson. Samples of his handwriting showed him to be a man of above average education for his time. See forward for his children.

(2) David Eller[4], b. Apr. 11, 1796; d. Mar. 18, 1870; m. 1st Oct. 18, 1819, Tabitha Judd, b. June 27, 1803; d. Mar. 27, 1847, the dau. of John Judd; m. 2nd 1848, Mary Lyons, b. Dec. 19, 1822. He removed with his family to Wayne Co., Indiana in 1828 and from there to Jefferson Co., Iowa, in 1839. He confirmed his Eller ancestry to his grandnephew Rev. William H. Eller of whom he was quite fond in his declining years. Children: (1) Mary Eller, b. Sept. 22, 1820; m. 1st Mr. Koons; m. 2nd C. C. Tinsley; (2) Jesse Eller, b. Nov. 12, 1822; d. June 1884; m. Marion (maiden name unknown); (3) William Eller, b. Dec. 23, 1824; d. before 1828; (4) Elizabeth Eller, b. Sept. 2, 1827; (5) Clarissa Eller, b. May 15, 1829; m. William Marion; (6) John Eller b. Nov. 6, 1832; m. Mary Parnell; (7) by his second wife Mary Lyon, a dau. Alice Eller, b. Mar. 29, 1849; m. Marion, son of Rev. R. L. Tracy of Old Maryville, Wapello Co., Iowa.

(3) John Eller[4], b. Mar. 17, 1798; m. Elizabeth Ray Vannoy, b. Oct. 29, 1804; d. Aug. 24, 1868. Family lived on Lewis Fork of Yadkin River in Wilkes Co., N. C. Children: (1) Capt. David Eller, of the C. S. A.; m. Ellen Colvard. Family lived at Tracy City, Tenn.; (2) Harrison Eller; (3) Henderson Eller, lived in Tenn.; (4) Jesse Eller, lived in Ashe Co., N. C.; (5) Fannie Eller; m. Feb. 9, 1839, Eli McNiel; (6) Mary Eller; m. Mar. 1842, David Miller; (7) Susanna Eller; m. William, son of Jacob and Katie (White) Eller; (8) Catherine Eller; (9) Caroline Eller, m. Jesse Yates of Wilkes Co. N. C.; (10) Alpha Eller, d. unm.; (11) Clarissa Eller; (12) Elizabeth Eller; (13) Martha Eller and (14) her twin sister who m. Mr. Drawn.

(4) Rachel Eller[4], b. Apr. 12, 1800; m. Aug. 22, 1820, John McNiel.

(5) Absolem Eller[4], b. Feb. 17, 1803; d. Feb. 7, 1879; m. Mar. 1824, Sarah Reynolds, b. Feb. 16, 1805; d. Mar. 6, 1875. Family lived on Parlears Creek in Wilkes County, N. C. Children: (1) John Ashley Eller, b. Dec. 3, 1824; (2) Aley Eller, b. Mar. 12, 1826; d. July 16, 1892; m. Apr. 28, 1842, Abraham Wesley Vannoy. Family lived in Wapello Co., Iowa; (3) Rachel Eller, b. Dec. 27, 1827; (4) Elza Eller, b. Aug. 2, 1829; m. May 1849, Ann Holman; (5) Matthias Eller, b. Mar. 22, 1831; (6) Francis Eller, b. Jan. 3, 1833; m. Mary (maiden name unknown); (7) Simeon Eller, b. Jan. 25, 1835; d. young; (8) Susan Eller, b. Nov. 2, 1836; m. A. M. Church; (9) Nancy Jane Eller, b. July 1, 1838; (10) James Madison Eller, b. June 17, 1840; d. July 15, 1920; m. Louisa Vannoy, dau. of Rev. John Humphrey Vannoy; (11) William Harrison Eller, b. Sept. 16, 1843.

(6) Peter Eller[4], b. June 17, 1805; d. Nov. 7, 1872; m. Fanny Yates, a granddaughter of Col. Benjamin Cleveland. Peter Eller was a noted man in his community, Colonel of the local Militia, member of the State Legislature for two terms, the guiding founder of the Wilkesboro Academy and chairman of the first Board of Superintendents of free public instruction of Wilkes Co., N. C. He was a representative from Wilkes County to the Constitutional Assembly of North Carolina. Children: (1) Benjamin Franklin Eller; m. Sept. 20, 1854, Mary H. Brookshier; (2) Barnett Cleveland Eller; (3) Gordon Eller, d. when soldier in C.S.A.; (4) John Eller, d. when soldier in C.S.A.; (5) James Eller, lived at Jonesboro, Tenn.; (6) Martha Eller; m. George Canter; (7) Saphronie Eller; m. John H. McNiel; (8) Rufus Eller.

(7) Delilah Gazia Eller[4], b. Feb. 15, 1807; m. Oct. 30, 1829, Richard Saunders. Of issue was William Saunders who lived in Ashe Co., N. C.

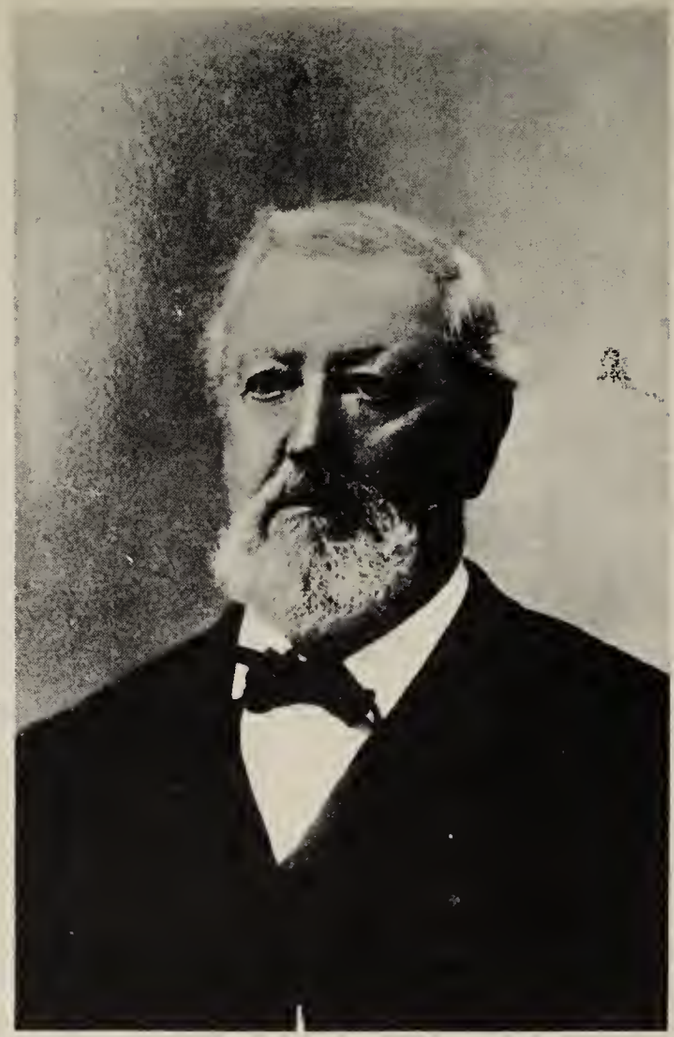
(8) Mary (called Polly) Eller[4], b. 1810; m. Alexander Church. Children: (1) Jesse Calvin Church; (2) Henry Harrison Church; (3) Anderson Mitchell Church, m. Susan, dau. of Absolom and Sarah (Reynolds) Eller; (4) James Church; (5) William Church; (6) Matilda Church; (7) Caroline Martha Church; (8) Jane Church.

CHILDREN OF CAPTAIN SIMEON ELLER[4] (SON OF JOHN[3] AND SUSANNA (KEARNS) ELLER) AND HIS WIFE, FANNY McNIEL[3] (See McNiel Family)

(1) Harvey Eller[5], b. in Wilkes Co., N. C., Mar. 24, 1819; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Nov. 3, 1906; m. Nov. 25, 1841, Mary Caroline Vannoy, b. in Wilkes Co., N. C. Feb. 18, 1823; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Jan. 19, 1904. Both lie buried in the Competine Cemetery near Farson, Wapello Co., Iowa. She was a dau. of Jesse and Mary (Kilby) Vannoy of Wilkes, Co. (See Vannoy Family) Being opponents of slavery and of the whisky industry that flourished in the community in which they lived and not wishing to rear their family in such an environment they decided to move west and in the fall of 1852 disposed of their N. C. holdings and moved to Jefferson County, Iowa where Harvey's uncle William Eller lived. The family consisting of the two parents and seven children, the youngest a babe in arms, left their native State on October 7, 1852 in a covered wagon and after much illness and many hardships arrived at Uncle William Eller's home late in the following November. They lived in Jefferson County until the spring of 1854 when they moved into Wapello Co. finally settling on a farm where now the village of Farson is located. Here, except for a few years in late life when they resided at Blair, Nebraska, they spent their long and useful lives, raising a family of ten sons and five daughters, all of whom grew to full manhood and womanhood and, except for the son John who drowned at age 18, married and raised families. Harvey and Mary Caroline (Vannoy) Eller were fine Christian characters, devoted members of the Baptist Church and beloved by all who knew them. All of their children followed the example set by their parents and did well in life, some attaining distinction in the church and the law. The family was ardent Unionist, the older sons and sons-in-law serving in the Union Army in the war of the Rebellion. See forward for their children.

(2) John Eller[5], b. 1821; d. Nov. 1892; m. Jane Montgomery, dau. of Hugh Montgomery of Wilkes Co., N. C. He moved to Jefferson Co., Iowa in 1853 and to Clay County, Nebraska in 1873 where he died. Children: (1) James Allen Eller; (2) Alexander Hamilton Eller; (3) Charles Eller; (4) Jesse Eller; (5) Joseph Eller who resided in Clay Co., Nebr.; (6) Elizabeth Eller who m. Abram Fisher and resided in Clay Co., Nebr.; (7) Saphronie Eller who m. Payton Colvard and resided in Oklahoma; (8) Edmund Lee Eller.

Mary Caroline (Vannoy) Eller.
1823 — 1904



Harvey Eller.
1819 — 1906

(3) Polly Eller[5], b. 1823; d. 1894; m. Allen Whittington, Esq. Family lived in Wilkes Co., N. C. Children: (1) Leander; (2) Nancy who m. Rufus Colvard; (3) Emily who m. Mr. Vannoy; (4) Benjamin, who m. Miss Colvard and d. in 1891.

(4) William Eller[5], b. 1825; d. Aug. 9, 1876; m. Katherine Parnell. Family removed to Iowa in covered wagon with his bro. John Eller in 1853 later settling near Harvard, Nebraska. Children: (1) James Calloway Eller of Folsom, Calif.; (2) Thomas J. Eller of Clay Center, Nebr.; (3) Rev. David Eller, a Baptist minister; (4) Frank Eller; (5) Robert M. Eller; (6) Henrietta Eller who m. Adalbert Peck of Wapello Co., Iowa; (7) Angeline Eller who m. Mr. Hackett of Harvard, Nebr.; (8) America Eller who m. John Knorr; (9) Martha Eller who m. Cleon Gould; (10) Fannie Eller, the last three of Clay Center, Nebr.

(5) James Eller[5], b. June 28, 1828; d. Mar. 19, 1926; m. Oct. 24, 1849, Mary Ann Carlton, b. Aug. 15, 1830; d. Aug. 30, 1924, the dau. of Thomas Carlton, Esq. of Beaver Creek, N. C. James Eller was a Deacon in the New Hope Baptist Church and a delegate to the Western Convention in 1860. He was president of the convention which created the New River Baptist Association. He also helped organize the Ashe and Allegheny Baptist Association and was elected vice president. He was Moderator of the Ashe Association 1898-1900 and was a member of the State Board of Missions for several years. His sympathies were with the Confederacy and he was appointed director of food supplies in Wilkes County during the Civil War. Children: (1) Martha Caroline Eller, b. Feb. 24, 1851; d. May 10, 1862; (2) Thomas Hamilton Eller, b. Nov. 18, 1852; d. May 6, 1862; (3) Harvey Augustus Eller, b. July 7, 1855; m. Oct. 14, 1877, Mary, dau. of David and Catherine (Baker) Eller; (4) Ruth America Eller, b. Dec. 6, 1857; m. Apr. 12, 1884, Rev. David S. Hubbell; (5) Adolphus Hill Eller, b. Apr. 9, 1861; d. Dec. 7, 1941; m. Nov. 19, 1896, Laura Winifred Newland, d. May 28, 1938, the dau. of Capt. B. A. Newland; (6) Albert Sidney Johnson Eller, b. Aug. 29, 1864; d. Feb. 9, 1920; m. 1st Laura McMillan who d. July 26, 1908; m. 2nd Frances Campbell; (7) Edwin Cicero Eller, b. Dec. 19, 1866; m. 1st Laura Graybeal who d. Dec. 23, 1920; m. 2nd Susanna Harless; (8) Franklin Plato Eller, b. Apr. 4, 1869; d. June 15, 1892 while attending the Univ. of N. C.; (9) John Carlton Eller b. Oct. 30, 1873; d. July 4, 1896 while a student in the Univ. of N. C.

(6) Nancy Eller[5], b. 1830; d. 1847; m. Mar. 7, 1846, Jesse Vannoy.

(7) David Eller[5], b. 1832; d. at Drurys Bluff, Va. in 1864 while serving in the C.S.A. He m. Polly McNiel.

(8) Capt. Jesse F. Eller[5], b. Dec. 17, 1835; d. 1900; m. Apr. 1859, Mary Ann Laxton, b. Jan. 1, 1840; d. 1900. He served as Capt. of Co. K, 53d N. C. Regiment, C.S.A. and was severely wounded at the battle of Spotsylvania Court House. Family removed by covered wagon to Wapello Co., Iowa in 1869 and from there to near Harvard, Nebraska in 1873 and back again in 1880 to Marion, Va. where both parents died. Children: (1) Oscal Pulaski Eller, b. July 28, 1860; m. Eva Wright. Family lived at Hastings, Nebr.; (2) Virginia Eller, b. Aug. 2, 1862; m. J. A. Kirk of Hastings, Nebr.; (3) Junius Arthur Eller, b. Apr. 20, 1867; m. Georgia Johnson. Family lived at Marion, Va.; (4) Quincy Aswell Eller, b. Nov. 15, 1869; m. Mary Sanders. Family lived at Chilhowie, Va.; (5) Edward Everett Eller, b. Feb. 12, 1870; m. July 30, 1896, Elizabeth McNiel. A merchant at N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; (6) Ellen Eller, b. 1873; d. 1883; (7) Manley Toy Eller, b. 1875; d. 1883; (8) Louise Eller, b. 1877; d. 1883; (9) Benjamin Hill Eller, b. Dec. 20, 1879; m. Mar. 13, 1901, Belle Cornett.

Family lived at N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; (10) Mollie Evelyn Eller, b. May 11, 1881; m. Aug. 6, 1915, William Heggie McNiel. Family lived at N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; (11) Mattie Edith Eller, b. July 14, 1883. Teacher at N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; (12) Emma Chloe Eller, b. May 16, 1885. Teacher at N. Wilkesboro, N. C.

(9) Anderson Eller[5], b. 1836; m. his cousin Alva McNiel. Family lived in Wilkes Co., N. C. Children: (1) James Eller; (2) Simeon Eller; (3) Cleveland Eller; (4) Gaither Eller; (5) Rufus Eller; (6) Cicero Eller.

(10) Thomas J. Eller[5], b. 1838; d. killed at the battle of Chancellorsville on the morning of the second day's fight, May 1, 1863. He was buried where he fell in his C.S.A. uniform.

(11) America Eller[5], b. 1841; d. 1903; m. 1st William Whittington by whom there were two children: (1) Thomas Whittington who lived at Washington, D.C.; (2) Gaither Whittington who m. Ella Phelps and lived near Farson, Iowa. America Eller (Whittington) m. 2nd Nathan Weaver of Allegheny Co., N. C., by whom there was one dau., Nora Weaver.

CHILDREN OF HARVEY ELLER[5] (SON OF SIMEON[4] AND FANNY McNIEL ELLER) AND HIS WIFE MARY CAROLINE VANNOY:

(1) William Hamilton Eller[6], b. Oct. 29, 1842; d. Dec. 23, 1922; m. Nov. 8, 1866, Harriett A. Tracy, b. Mar. 13, 1840; d. Dec. 20, 1921. She was a dau. of Dr. Jonathan Tracy of Ohio. He served in the Union Army (1862-1865) first in Co. D., 19th Iowa Infantry and then as 1st Sergeant in Co. I, 45th Iowa Infantry. Educated at the Axline Academy at Fairfield, Iowa and at the Crozier Theological Seminary where he graduated in 1870. For ten years after graduation he followed the Baptist Ministry studying law meantime. He then practiced law at Blair, Nebraska and became a Superior Court Justice. He returned to North Carolina in 1891 where he helped organize and became president of the Keely Institute at Greensboro. He returned to the Baptist Ministry in 1896 where he so distinguished himself that a large memorial church was built in his honor after his death by funds contributed by rich and poor alike. He made of himself a master of the Greek language which he read and spoke fluently. His Bible in Greek, which he constantly carried, is still preserved. Children: (1) Julia A. Eller, b. Sept. 20, 1872; d. Mar. 15, 1897; m. Joseph H. Moore of Greensboro, N. C.; (2) Caroline (Carrie) Eller, b. Sept. 28, 1877; m. May 9, 1899, Paul G. Welch of Greensboro, N. C.; (3) Elizabeth (Bessie) Eller, b. Jan. 30, 1880; m. June 3, 1903, Whit R. Stone of Greensboro, N. C. b. Feb. 6, 1881; d. June 29, 1933.

(2) Barnett Cleveland Eller[6], b. Feb. 29, 1844; d. Mar. 31, 1929; m. Dec. 14, 1869, Annie Troxel, b. Jan. 22, 1851; d. Nov. 6, 1936. Family moved to Clay Center, Nebr. in 1873 and Harvard, Nebr. in 1892. In 1900 he purchased the general store of Manning and Morgan at David City, Nebr., later changing the name to Eller and Son. He was a devoted member of the Baptist Church from youth to his death and a highly respected citizen in all places where he lived. He served the Union forces in the Civil War as 1st Sergeant in Co. K, 9th Iowa Cavalry. Children: (1) Hugh Eller, b. Nov. 10, 1871; m. June 9, 1903, Jessie Laura Morgan, b. Jan. 12, 1881. Family lives Palo Alto, Cal.; (2) Lulu Eller, b. Nov. 11, 1874; m. Nov. 13, 1897, Ernest J. Sherburne. Family lived at Cambridge, Nebr.; (3) Marguerite Eller, b. Apr. 3, 1881; d. Sept. 5, 1923; m. Apr. 3, 1907, Julian L. Buckley b. Jan. 9, 1876. Family lived David City, Nebr.; (4) Troy Cleveland Eller, b. June 9, 1882; d. June 28, 1938; m. Jan. 4, 1905, Eva Morgan, b. Aug. 5, 1887. Family lived at David City, Nebr.

(3) Virginia Eller[6], b. in Wilkes Co. North Carolina, Oct. 18, 1845; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Oct. 30, 1897; m. Nov. 21, 1867, James Hook[7] b. in Carrol Co., Ohio, Sept. 30, 1839, d. in Wapello Co., Iowa June 30, 1905. Both lie buried in the Hook family plot in the Martinsburg, Iowa Cemetery, one and three-quarter miles south of Martinsburg, Iowa. Virginia Eller, when seven years of age, accompanied her parents on the overland trip by prairie schooner from N. C. to Iowa in 1852. She attended Axlines Academy at Fairfield, Iowa and later taught school in the neighborhood of her home until her marriage in 1867. She is remembered as a girl of fine influence among her companions, of a refined and retiring but nevertheless forceful personality and a loveable, Christian character. She was a member of the Baptist Church of old Competine (Marysville) which she took an active part in organizing before her marriage. Her children are listed in detail in the Hook genealogy herewith.

(4) Nancy Eller[6], b. May 29, 1847; d. Jan. 4, 1892; m. Nov. 3, 1878, Frazier Troxel, b. Feb. 24, 1849 in Wapello Co., Iowa; d. Feb. 19, 1908 in Clay Center, Nebr. Occupation, farmer. Children: (1) Caroline Troxel, b. November 12, 1879; d. May 10, 1909; m. Aug. 27, 1902, Jesse G. Jessup, b. Dec. 7, 1878. Mr. Jessup m. 2nd Oct. 1, 1911, Mable, dau. of Jacob H. Eller; (2) Leetha Grace Troxel, b. Nov. 30, 1881; d. Oct. 13, 1925, unm; (3) Daniel Curtis Troxel, b. July 14, 1883; m. June 16, 1912, Martha Loretta Britt, b. Feb. 24, 1888. He graduated from Univ. of Nebr. and Yale Divinity School. Family lives at Lexington, Ky. where Mr. Troxel is Prof. of the New Testament in the college of the Bible located there.

(5) Mary O. Eller[6], b. Dec. 10, 1848; d. Apr. 3, 1881; m. Nov. 4, 1868, Josiah Phelps, a veteran of the Union Army in the Civil War who was captured at Chattanooga and held in Andersonville prison for almost a year where he all but starved to death. Family lived in Franklin Co., Iowa where he served as Sheriff for several years. Children: (1) Jennie L. Phelps, b. July 25, 1869; d. July 9, 1901; m. July 2, 1900, Lewis Pettis of Des Moines, Iowa; (2) Arthur D. Phelps, b. Aug. 13, 1871; m. Apr. 1, 1900 Mae Fronk. Occupation, Veterinary Surgeon at Barton, N. D.; (3) Wilbur J. Phelps, b. Mar. 25, 1873; (4) Benjamin B. Phelps, b. Mar. 2, 1875; d. Jan. 1942. He married and lived at Minneapolis, Minn.; (5 and 6) Jessie and Bessie Phelps, twins, b. Mar. 30, 1877; (7) L. D. Phelps, b. July 15, 1879. Lived in Canada; (8 and 9) Mary and Martha Phelps, twins, b. Mar. 27, 1881.

(6) James Anderson Eller[6], b. Apr. 30, 1850; d. Feb. 16, 1932, m. Dec. 25, 1875, Cora Belle Mizener, b. Nov. 20, 1860; d. Sept. 9, 1914. Family lived on farm near Glenwood, Iowa. Children: (1) Harvey Newton Eller, b. Nov. 7, 1876 at Edgar, Nebr.; m. Oct. 9, 1900, Libbie Young, b. Feb. 1, 1877. Family lived at Omaha, Nebr.; (2) Tyndall Ord Eller, b. Aug. 28, 1887; m. Oct. 26, 1910, Wilhelmina Grunderson, b. Sept. 27, 1889; d. Oct. 13, 1943. Family lived near Glenwood, Iowa.

(7) Jesse Franklin Eller[6], b. Feb. 12, 1852 in Wilkes Co., N. C.; d. Dec. 26, 1932 in Red Bluff, Calif. where he and family lived in later life; m. 1st Dec. 4, 1877; Lavina Troxel, b. Jan. 29, 1850; d. Nov. 21, 1892; m. 2nd Dec. 28, 1892, Elizabeth Estes, b. Feb. 11, 1871; d. July 4, 1943. Occupation, a realtor. Children by 1st wife: (1)Ann V. Eller, b. Feb. 14, 1883; m. Nov. 4, 1920, Claude C. Rogers; (2)Charles J. Eller, b. July 26, 1885; m. Mar. 4, 1914, Hilda Lanham who d. June 1, 1945. Issue by 2nd wife: (1)

Georgia Eller, b. Nov. 20, 1893; m. Ralph J. Parsons; (2) Estes H. Eller, b. Apr. 6, 1895; m. Mar. 30, 1919, Viola Burrill. Family lived at Dunsmuir, Calif.; (3) Frank M. Eller, b. Nov. 14, 1897; m. May 5, 1921, Mildred Gerhardt. Family lived at Hornbrook, Calif.; (4) LeRoy Eller, b. June 25, 1900.

(8) Israel Curtis Eller[6], b. Dec. 17, 1853 in Jefferson Co., Iowa; d. Dec. 1, 1944 at Blair, Nebr.; m. Nov. 3, 1886, Ellen Elizabeth Kemp, b. Feb. 9, 1861 at East Troy, Wis.; d. June 14, 1914 at Blair, Nebr. He obtained his college education at Central University at Pella, Iowa, read law with his talented brother William and was admitted to the Nebraska Bar in 1883. He practiced his profession at Blair, Nebraska, served as clerk of the District Court and later as Judge of the County Court. He represented his district in the State Legislature, was identified with state and local affairs of importance, and was a highly regarded citizen. Children: (1) William Curtis Eller, b. Mar. 6, 1888; d. Dec. 27, 1900; (2) Mary Louise Eller, b. Aug. 26, 1893; m. Jan. 18, 1916, Harry L. Morris, b. 1890. Family resided at Blair, Nebr.; (3) Frances Pauline Eller, b. Jan. 24, 1897; m. 1915, Ralph John Roush. Family lives at Des Moines, Iowa; (4) Infant dau. b. and d. 1898.

(9) Martha Clementine Eller[6], b. Sept. 19, 1855; d. Dec. 1, 1939; m. Mar. 30, 1875, George W. Dickins, b. Sept. 18, 1843 at Wyandot, Ohio; d. June 22, 1917, in Wapello Co., Iowa. He was a large land owner, banker and member for two terms of the Iowa Legislature. His first wife whom he married in 1864 was Elizabeth Hawthorn by whom there were three children viz. Wilbur, Mary and Hiram Hessel. The children by Martha Clementine Eller were: (1) Scott Martin Dickins, b. Aug. 1, 1876; d. Oct. 4, 1904; m. Mar. 22, 1899, Mabel C. Cook; (2) Rella May Dickins, b. Feb. 5, 1879; m. Nov. 3, 1897, Clyde A. Dickey of Hedrick, Iowa; (3) Katherine Elizabeth Dickins, b. May 30, 1881; m. Dec. 29, 1905, Clyde B. Baldwin whose family now lives at Harrison City, Penna.

(10) John Quincy Eller[6], b. Sept. 20, 1857; d. by drowning in Competine Creek on June 15, 1875.

(11) Thomas Arnold Eller[6], b. Sept. 12, 1859; d. Mar. 28, 1937; m. 1st Sept. 22, 1881, Alice C. Phelps, b. Apr. 5, 1859; d. Sept. 30, 1930; m. 2nd Nov. 4, 1931, Vona Scott, b. 1860; d. Feb. 21, 1933; m. 3rd May 15, 1935, Mrs. Mary E. Buffington, b. Feb. 16, 1866; d. Feb. 22, 1932. Was a farmer at Stratton, Nebr. Family lived on a farm at Culbertson, Nebr. Children, all by first marriage: (1) Alden R. Eller, b. Aug. 13, 1882; m. 1st Frances M. Jones, b. Oct. 4, 1882; d. Jan. 24, 1909; m. 2nd Dec. 25, 1916, Jennie E. Wood. No issue by second marriage; (2) Ira Blaine Eller, b. 1883; d. 1886; (3) Ella Phelps Eller, b. Jan. 15, 1885; m. Oct. 17, 1910, Harry P. Owens. Family lives at Stratton, Nebr.; (4) Stella M. Eller, b. Aug. 8, 1886; m. 1st Robt. R. Owens; m. 2nd 1923, A. L. Hartman; (5) Vernon T. Eller, b. Feb. 27, 1891; m. Mar. 26, 1913, Stella Thomas, b. Nov. 10, 1896. Family lives at Stratton, Nebr.; (6) Cleveland Harrison Eller, b. Mar. 31, 1893; m. Sept. 1, 1920, Ruth I. Jesse; (7) John Harvey Eller, b. Sept. 5, 1895; m. Nov. 23, 1919, Lulu E. Sharp. Family lives at Stratton, Nebr.

(12) Jacob H. Eller[6], b. Aug. 27, 1861; still living May, 1951; m. 1st July 1, 1888, Bertha Adelaide Athey, b. Feb. 18, 1867; d. Jan. 25, 1914; m. 2nd May 27, 1924, Mrs. Frances G. Ray, b. Nov. 9, 1872. Family lived at Clay Center, Nebr. where he was engaged in the merchantile business. Children,

all by first marriage: (1) Mary Merle Eller, b. Mar. 21, 1889; m. Calvin Rollins; (2) Mabel Ruth Eller, b. Oct. 29, 1890; m. Oct. 1, 1911, J. G. Jessup, b. Dec. 7, 1878; (3) Florence Athey Eller, b. Oct. 15, 1892; m. Aug. 14, 1917, Ralph E. Cowan, b. Apr. 7, 1889. Family lives at Wichita, Kan. where he is half owner of U. S. Cement Products Co.; (4) Francis Martha Eller, b. Sept. 19, 1896; m. Oct. 25, 1925, Edward E. Anderson. Family engaged in printing business at Los Angeles, Calif.; (5) Raymond Eller, b. Feb. 23, 1900. Grad. Univ. of Nebr.; m. Jan. 7, 1933, Gertrude M. Anderson. Family lives near Los Angeles, Calif. where he is a public accountant, C.P.A.

(13) Edson C. Eller[6], b. May 27, 1864; d. Jan. 25, 1920; m. Mar. 25, 1890; Jennie M. Davis, b. Mar. 8, 1866; family lived at Hastings, Nebr. Children: (1) Floyd E. Eller, b. Sept. 7, 1893; m. 1st June 18, 1918, Ella A. Decker; (2) Lyle Davis Eller, b. Dec. 9, 1895; m. 1st June 12, 1917, Erla T. McCarl; (3) Lester C. Eller, b. Apr. 1, 1898; m. Mar. 22, 1925; Ethel Morris, b. June 26, 1903. Family lived Hastings, Nebr.; (4) Mildred C. Eller, b. Dec. 17, 1900.

(14) Maggie Eller[6], b. Mar. 2, 1866; d. May 29, 1935; m. Sept. 4, 1884, Edward Delos Davis, b. Dec. 24, 1855; d. Apr. 9, 1940. Family operated a very successful farm southeast of Martinsburg, Iowa. Children: (1) Wilbur Curtis Davis, b. Aug. 15, 1885; m. Sept. 26, 1909, Katherine Thompson, b. 1883; d. July 31, 1938. Farmer near Farson, Iowa; (2) Edward Clayton Davis, b. Feb. 10, 1887; m. Aug. 9, 1917, Anna Gerholz, b. Apr. 24, 1894. Occupation, grain and feed business at St. Peter, Minn.; (3) Clarence Jacob Davis, b. May 19, 1891; d. July 28, 1918; m. Dec. 15, 1915, Grace Hawthorne, b. Feb. 25, 1894. He was Supt. of Schools at Lewis, Iowa at time of death; (4) Mary Celia Davis, b. Oct. 6, 1893; m. 1st, Feb. 1916, Floyd Allen Douglas, d. Oct. 17, 1918; m. 2nd Harlan Shaw; (5) Otis Eller Davis, b. Oct. 17, 1895; d. Oct. 20, 1918 unm.; (6) Herbert Plank Davis, b. Dec. 18, 1897; deceased; m. Mar. 14, 1922, Ruth Cecil, b. Mar. 4, 1898. Family lived at Redondo Beach, Calif.; (7) Roy Martin Davis, b. Mar. 12, 1902; m. July 3, 1926, Ida May Wiley, b. July 1, 1907; (8) Raymond L. Davis, b. Apr. 26, 1904; m. June 9, 1926, Hazel Holroyd, b. June 6, 1903.

(15) Otis Reader Eller[6], b. July 20, 1870; d. Oct. 10, 1944; m. 1st Dec. 26, 1893, Celia G. Allberry, b. Sept. 26, 1868, in Washington Co., Ohio; d. June 26, 1898 at Omaha, Nebr.; m. 2nd Oct. 11, 1900, Ruth Matrau, b. Aug. 18, 1873 in Holland, Mich.; d. Dec. 25, 1925 at Lincoln, Nebr.; m. 3rd Oct. 8, 1926, Mrs. Maude Koons nee Powell. No issue by 3rd marriage. Mr. Eller spent his entire life after graduating from the Normal School at Fremont, Nebr. in the Railway Mail Service rising to the position of Chief Clerk at Lincoln, Nebraska. Children by first marriage: (1) Harold Otis Eller, b. Oct. 9, 1894; d. Apr. 9, 1895; (2) Warren Herbert Eller, b. June 26, 1896; grad. Univ. Nebr., B.A., 1918; grad. Univ. of Nebr. Med. School, M.D., 1923; m. May 26, 1928, Marguerite Stevens. Now living at Sayville, L.I., New York where he is a prominent physician. Children by his second wife Ruth Matrau: (1) Henry Matrau Eller, b. Feb. 20, 1904; grad. Univ. of Nebr., B.A., 1925 where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and awarded a Harvard Univ. Scholarship where he obtained his M.A. degree in 1926. After teaching in Whitman College for two years he entered the Gen. Theological Seminary in N. Y. City from which he graduated in 1932. Ordained to the Episcopal Priesthood June 1, 1933 and the following year entered the Univ. of Chicago where he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1937. He m. Sept. 17, 1934, Victoria Schaffer of N. Y. City.

McNIEL FAMILY*

REV. GEORGE McNIEL[1] the grandfather of Fanny McNiel who married Simeon Eller (See Eller Family herewith) was born about 1720 in Scotland and died in Wilkes County, North Carolina, June 7, 1805. He came to the State of Virginia about 1750 where he married Mary Coates and settled first in Grayson County, moving later to Wilkes Co., North Carolina. He came as a protestant minister (Presbyterian probably) and at once engaged in helping to establish Christian Churches (mostly Baptist) and attending as pastor. Sometime later he was ordained as a Baptist minister since that faith, because of its large following in Virginia and North Carolina, was the one in which he felt he could be of most service. He was identified with the Sandy Creek movement and was associated with John Gano, the Murphy brothers and Rev. Andrew Baker in constituting churches in lower Virginia and the Yadkin River section of North Carolina. He was moderator for many years of the Yadkin Association which he organized in 1786. This Association became the parent of twenty-one other Associations which had a combined membership of forty thousand communicants in 1905. He was chaplain in the Regiment of Col. Benjamin Cleveland during its campaign which was high-lighted by the Battle of Kings Mountain in the Revolutionary War. (N.C. State Records, Vol. 18, p. 288.) He was Registrar of Deeds of Wilkes County, N. C. in 1802. His home was in Wilkes County on the North Fork of Lewis Fork Creek that flowed into the Yadkin River. (See Memorial Booklet to his memory, published by the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association dated June 7, 1905.) His children did not always use the spelling McNiel which old documents show was the way he spelled his name. Some wrote it McNeil, McNeill and in one case McNeel. The ancestral spelling will be used hereafter. The McNiel clan was a proud one in Scotland stemming from the family of McNiels of the island of Barra which claims descent through a long dynasty of Irish Kings to Niall of the Nine Hostages, 379 A.D. and beyond to the Niall of Scythia who gave his name to the river

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Nile in Egypt. (See "The Can MacNeill" by the MacNeill of Barra, published 1923, by the Caledonian Publishing Co.)

The children of George McNiel and his wife Mary Coates were:

(1) Mary McNiel[2] (probably)

(2) John McNiel[2], m. Miss Cleveland. Family lived near Greenville, N. C.

(3) William McNiel[2], m. a sister of Jeremiah Cleveland and lived in Clayborne County, Tenn.

(4) James McNiel[2], b. about 1763; d. 1834; m. Mary Shepherd. He settled first in what is now Ashe Co., N. C., later moving to a farm on Redie's River in Wilkes Co., N. C. where he married. He was living near Moravian Falls, N. C. at time of his death. (See forward for children.)

(5) Benjamin McNiel[2], m. Miss Lipps. Family lived on South Lewis Fork in Wilkes Co., N. C. It consisted of seven sons and one daughter all of whom moved west except the son Enoch McNiel who lived near Moravian Falls, N. C. and died there in 1865 or 1866.

(6) Joseph McNiel[2], b. 1767; d. about 1855; m. Miss Wilson and lived on his father's homestead in Wilkes Co., N. C. Children: (1) Larkin McNiel, m. Oct. 1837, Nellie Ferguson; (2) Rev. James McNiel, a Baptist minister of great ability. He lived near Moravian Falls, N. C.; (3) William McNiel, m. Nov. 30, 1840, Martha Robinson and of issue had sons Oliver and Irvin; (4) Nellie McNiel; (5) A daughter.

(7) Elizabeth McNiel[2], m. Robert Bingham of Va. a soldier of the Revolution. Of issue were William, Joel and George, the latter having a family of five sons, one of whom (Harvey) was in the N. C. Senate in 1876, and another (Thomas) who represented Watauga Co., N. C. three times at the N. C. Legislature.

(8) Polly McNiel[2], m. Henry Miller, a soldier of the Revolution. Of issue were two daughters, one of whom married Mr. Parks and the other married Mr. Langford.

(9) Thomas McNiel[2], b. 1782; d. 1865 at age of 83. He was a soldier of the War of 1812; m. a dau. of Rev. James Parsons of Surrey Co., N. C. They had sons: (1) James McNiel, d. Feb. 16, 1855 near Salisbury, N. C. at age of near 55 years while in the service of the "Southern States"; (2) Jesse McNiel d. June 8, 1830, unm.; (3) George W. McNiel, m. Jan. 30, 1847 Levisa Triplett; (4, 5 and 6) daughters whose names are not known by this writer.

CHILDREN OF JAMES McNIEL[2] (SON OF REV. GEORGE AND MARY (COATES) McNIEL) AND HIS WIFE, MARY SHEPHERD:

(1) Larkin McNiel[3], d. 1824; m. Miss Vannoy and had issue: (1) Jesse; (2) John who lived in Overton Co. Tenn.; (3) Fanny; (4) Niel; (5) James; (6) Charlotte.

(2) John McNiel[3], m. Aug. 22, 1820, Rachel Eller, b. Apr. 12, 1800, dau. of John and Susanna (Kearns) Eller. (See Eller Family herewith) Children: (1) Alfred McNiel, m. Nov. 6, 1844, Franklyn Matilda Vannoy, b. Sept. 28, 1825, d. 1902, (See Vannoy family herewith); (2) Franklin McNiel m. Rebecca McNiel a cousin; (3) Peter McNiel m. Mary Phillips. Some descendants of this family spell the name McNeill; (4) Jesse McNiel m. Nancy McNiel, a cousin; (5) William McNiel m. Mar. 1843, Sarah Kilby; (6) Laura McNiel, m. Mr. Canter; (7) Emeline McNiel d. unm.; (8) Caroline McNiel, d. unm.

(3) Fanny McNiel[3], b. Jan. 12, 1799; d. Oct. 4, 1856; m. 1st, Apr. 17, 1817, Simeon Eller, b. Sept. 7, 1794; d. June 19, 1850; m. 2nd Col. Isaac Brown by whom there was no issue. She was a woman of ability and great force of character, a member of the New Hope Baptist Church in Wilkes Co., N. C. and a person long remembered by friends and neighbors for her helpfulness in time of need. (See Eller Family herewith for children.)

(4) George McNiel[3] m. Nov. 1832, Susan Vannoy.

(5) William McNiel[3].

(6) Oliver McNiel[3], m. Aug. 1828, Delilah Eller, dau. of Peter Eller, who was a brother of John Eller who m. Susanna Kearns.

(7) Nancy McNiel[3], m. Edward J. Dancy of Wilkesboro, N. C.

(8) Rebecca McNiel[3], m. Dec. 8, 1833; Rev. John Humphrey Vannoy, son of Jesse and Mary (Kilby) Vannoy. (See Vannoy Family herewith.)

(9) Eli McNiel[3], m. Feb. 9, 1839, Fanny Eller, dau. of John and Elizabeth Ray (Vannoy) Eller. (See Eller Family herewith)

VANNOY FAMILY*

The emigrant ancestor of Mary Caroline Vannoy[6] who married Harvey Eller (see Eller Family herewith) was JOHN VANNOY[1] whose will was signed May 13, 1699. He must have died soon after because the records of Richmond Co., New York show that a grant of land of eight acres located "at the South Side of the Fish Kill" was granted to "Rachel Vannoy, widow of John Vannoy" on March 17, 1700. This was on Staten Island where many Huguenots settled in the latter part of the Seventeenth Century. The Vannoy family were Huguenots, said to have fled France to Holland and from there to England during the reign of Charles I. Just when the family reached the shores of America is not known but wills and deeds of record of Richmond County (Staten Island) after 1700 mentions land "formerly owned by John Vannoy" and when Rachel his wife was approved as Administrator of his estate the Court referred to the estate as comprising "goods, chattels and credits in divers places within this Province". He mentioned only his "oldest son John" in his will but the census of Richmond (Staten Island) in 1706 lists his children and their ages as given below, with the spelling slightly varied. ("Historical and Genealogical Miscellany" by Stillwell Vol. I) The same reference says that "John Van Oy" was a Collector of Taxes in Richmond in 1698. The name of Vannoy was probably derived from the French Vannoise or Venois and may have originated in Savoie where it attaches to a range of the Alp Mountains.

Children of John and Rachel Vannoy:

(1) John Vannoy[2] born 1686.

(2) Francis Vannoy[2] b. 1688; d. 1774; m. about 1715, probably a daughter of Cornelius Anderson. He moved to Hunterdon Co., New Jersey about 1711 and settled on a farm near Hopewell where he came to own considerable property and was a prominent citizen and a member of the Baptist Church. His will was written Aug. 15, 1768 and probated July 21, 1774 and named sons John, Andrew and Cornelius and one daughter Hannah who m. Peter Willson. His will ordered his estate both real and personal to be sold and the proceeds to be divided equally between his three sons and one daughter, share and share alike. He also gave freedom to his negro man, Jack, and required that his son Cornelius provide for him. He referred to his son John as "the eldest" and gave him five pounds "proclamation money" over and above his equal share. He appointed his son Andrew and his son-in-law Peter Willson executors. (See forward for children.)

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(3) Abraham Vannoy[2].

(4) Rachel Vannoy[2].

(5) Sarah Vannoy[2].

(6) Catherine Vannoy[2].

CHILDREN OF FRANCIS VANNOY[2] (SON OF JOHN[1] AND RACHEL VANNOY) AND HIS WIFE MISS ANDERSON:

(1) John Vannoy[3], b. about 1716; d. about 1778. He was probably the John Francis Vanay (sic) who was granted land in the Prurrysburg District of South Carolina above Savannah, Ga. on Dec. 14, 1739; also the John Vannoy who settled a little later in the "Jersey Settlement" on the Yadkin River in North Carolina where he died about 1778. Tradition is strong that all of these Johns were one and the same. Unfortunately the family Bible of the North Carolina John does not mention his forebears. There is little doubt, however, that the John Vannoy who settled on the Yadkin River in North Carolina was born in New Jersey, and that he came by way of South Carolina is a reasonable conjecture. He was a member of the pioneer Baptist Church in the Yadkin River valley and was mentioned in the diary of Rev. Hugh McAden who recorded that he spent the night of Sept. 3, 1755 at the home of John Vannoy on the Yadkin River. His old Bible containing a written record of his family and that of his son Nathaniel Vannoy and Nathaniel's son Jesse has been preserved and is now in possession of one of Jesse's descendants. It does not give the maiden name of John Vannoy's wife but an old letter written by his grandson Andrew Vannoy, son of Nathaniel says he married Susanna Anderson. The letter also states that he moved into North Carolina about 1748 and settled at the mouth of Lick Creek which empties into the Yadkin River near the old Vannoy Fish Dam in what is now Davidson County, N. C. There he lived until the place was pillaged by the troops of Gov. Tryon after the defeat of the "Regulators" in 1771 when he removed with his family to what is now Wilkes and Ashe Counties, N. C. (See forward for children which compare with the names of the children of Francis Vannoy[2] and Francis' father John Vannoy[1])

(2) Andrew Vannoy[3].

(3) Cornelius Vannoy[3].

(4) Hannah Vannoy[3], m. Peter Willson.

CHILDREN OF JOHN VANNOY[3] (PROBABLY THE SON OF FRANCIS VANNOY[2]) AND HIS WIFE, SUSANNA ANDERSON:

(1) Rachel Vannoy[4], b. Apr. 12, 1741 Neil Patton.

(2) Andrew Vannoy[4], b. Aug. 12, 1742; a license to marry Susannah, dau. of John and Sarah Shepherd was dated Oct. 18, 1779. He was a Capt. in the 10th N. C. Regiment of Continentals in the Rev. War and was granted land near Murfreesboro, Tenn. as compensation for his services.

(3) Abraham Vannoy[4], b. Jan. 15, 1745.

(4) Francis Vannoy[4], b. Aug. 13, 1746; d. 1822, near Barboursville, Ky. where he left many descendants. One dau. Millie Vannoy, b. 1774; d. 1850; m. John Dancy.

(5) Nathaniel Vannoy[4], b. Feb. 16, 1749; d. at the home of his dau. Sarah Cleveland in Greenville, S. C. July 26, 1835 and is buried there; m. 1773, Elizabeth Ray of Ashe Co., N. C. Family lived on North Fork of Lewis Fork Creek in Wilkes Co., N. C. He was a soldier in the war of the Revolution, serving as Sergeant Major in the regiment of Col. Benjamin Cleveland and was present at the Battle of Kings Mountain. He also was deputy sheriff of Wilkes County during the war. He was a founder member of the New Hope Baptist Church organized in 1830. He was a man of high ideals and a leader in the County where he lived. (See forward for children)

(6) Hannah Vannoy[4], b. Mar. 26, 1751.

(7) Daniel Vannoy[4], b. Feb. 22, 1752; license to marry Sarah Wilkerson dated Oct. 2, 1779.

(8) Susannah Vannoy[4], b. July 6, 1754.

(9) Katherine Vannoy[4], b. Dec. 26, 1755.

CHILDREN OF NATHANIEL VANNOY[4] (SON OF JOHN[3] AND SUSANNA (ANDERSON) VANNOY) AND HIS WIFE ELIZABETH RAY.

(1) John Vannoy[5], b. Mar. 22, 1775; m. 1st Miss Kilby; m. 2nd Margaret Tinsley. Family lived in Moniteau Co., Mo. near the town of California. Children by 2nd wife: (1) William Thomas Vannoy, who became a Mormon in Utah, b. Mar. 13, 1827; d. Mar. 2, 1900; m. 1st Catherine Hendricks; m. 2nd Agnes Burrell; m. 3rd Kate Bagley. Said to have had 27 children by his three wives. Said also to have married a fourth time; (2) John Vannoy; (3) James Vannoy d. 1895 in Farmington, Texas; m. 1st Jane Hanford; m. 2nd Nancy Starks. Issue, at least one son by first marriage and seven by second; (4) Lorenzo Vannoy; (5) Elizabeth Vannoy; (6) Caroline Vannoy; (7) Sarah Ann Vannoy.

(2) Joel Vannoy[5], b. Feb. 22, 1777; moved to Pike Co., Mo. and left many descendants some of whom lived near Bowling Green, Mo. Descendants of Joel Vannoy founded the Van Noy (sic) Interstate Co. a well known enterprise in California and other states.

(3) Sarah Vannoy[5], b. Jan. 16, 1779; d. July 23, 1856; m. Aug. 31, 1801, Jeremiah Cleveland, b. 1774; d. Dec. 2, 1845. He was the son of Capt. Robert Cleveland, the brother of Col. Benjamin Cleveland of King Mountain fame. Family lived in Greenville, S. C. Children: (1) Robert M. Cleveland, b. Mar. 3, 1803; (2) Jesse Franklin Cleveland, b. Oct. 25, 1804; (3) Jeremiah Cleveland, b. Feb. 4, 1806; (4) Barnett Franklin Cleveland, b. Apr. 26, 1808; (5 - 6) Caroline and Harriett Cleveland, twins, b. Feb. 2, 1811; (7) Eliza Cleveland, b. Oct. 6, 1813; (8) James Harvey Cleveland, b. Dec. 1, 1815.

(4) Jesse Vannoy[5], b. June 2, 1781; d. Nov. 26, 1875; m. Jan. 12, 1804 the widow Mary Shepherd, b. Sept. 19, 1785; d. Feb. 14, 1864. She was a dau. of William Kilby and his wife Mary Ann Tolds. Jesse and Mary Vannoy were devout Baptists. It has been claimed that he could quote the Scriptures chapter by chapter from memory which if discounted very

liberally would be quite a feat. His wife Mary, called Aunt Polly, was termed by her neighbors, the most useful woman of her generation in the vicinity where she lived because of her helpfulness in times of illness and because of her religious influence stemming from her church activities and high character. Both Jesse and Mary Vannoy lie buried in the New Hope burying grounds near Wilkesboro, N. C. (See forward for children.)

(5) Andrew Vannoy[5], b. Nov. 4, 1783; d. Jan. 25, 1869, near Shelbyville, Tenn. leaving a number of descendants. He was a gifted school teacher and churchman and for twenty years Clerk of Court, of Bedford County, Tenn.

(6) Elizabeth Vannoy[5], b. Mar. 4, 1786; d. Sept. 10, 1846; m. Mr. Peyton. Of issue Caroline Peyton who m. Jesse Yates.

(7) Jane Vannoy[5], b. Aug. 20, 1788; d. Sept. 17, 1846; m. Mr. Thurston. No issue.

(8) Ann Vannoy[5], b. Nov. 4, 1790; m. John Foster.

(9) Susannah Vannoy[5], b. Nov. 4, 1790, twin of next above; m. Mr. Parks.

CHILDREN OF JESSE VANNOY[5] (SON OF NATHANIEL AND ELIZABETH (RAY) VANNOY) AND HIS WIFE MARY SHEPHERD, BORN MARY KILBY:

(1) Elizabeth Ray Vannoy[6], b. Oct. 29, 1804; d. Aug. 24, 1868; m. John Eller, b. Mar. 17, 1798, the son of John and Susanna (Kearns) Eller. Family resided on a farm in Wilkes Co., N. C. located on Lewis Fork that flowed into the Yadkin River. (See Eller Family herewith)

(2) Joel Eden Vannoy[6], b. Apr. 16, 1806; d. Jan. 15, 1826, unm.

(3) Sarah Jane Vannoy[6], b. Aug. 1, 1807; d. Feb. 1897, unm.

(4) John Humphrey Vannoy[6], b. Dec. 26, 1808; d. Nov. 1888; m. Dec. 8, 1883, Rebecca McNiel, dau. of James and Mary (Shepherd) McNiel. (See McNiel Family herewith) He was a well known Baptist Minister in Wilkes and Ashe Counties, N. C. Was for many years Pastor of the Baptist Church in Beaver Creek. Children:(1) Jesse; (2) William; (3) James; (4) Wiley; (5) Mary; (6) Louisa who m. James Madison Eller, son of Absolom, and (7) Tilda Eller who m. Henry Hardin and lived in Colorado.

(5) Katherine Ann Tolds Vannoy[6], b. Nov. 21, 1810; d. about 1850; m. Abijah Fairchild and left issue in Wilkes County, N. C.

(6) William Kilby Vannoy[6], b. May 21, 1812; d. Mar. 9, 1882; m. Matilda Wheeler. He was a Colonel in the N. C. Militia and a soldier in the Cherokee War. He left a large family some of whom settled in Oregon.

(7) Jesse Whitfield Vannoy[6], b. Feb. 14, 1814; d. about 1895; m. Sept. 1837 Elizabeth Fairchild. Of several issue was John Vannoy of Wautauga Co., N. C.

(8) James Nathaniel Vannoy[6], b. Oct. 20, 1815; d. Sept. 3, 1881 at Grant's Pass, Oregon where he moved in 1849, married and left many descendants.

(9) Abraham Wesley Vannoy[6], b. Sept. 6, 1817; d. Aug. 27, 1891; m. Apr. 28, 1842, Aley Eller, b. Mar. 12, 1826; d. July 16, 1892. She was a dau. of Absolom and Sarah (Reynolds) Eller. (See Eller Family herewith.) The family left N. C. in April 1869 for Wapello Co., Iowa traveling by covered wagon which

was taken on a river steamer at Nashville, Tenn. which took them thence via the Cumberland, Ohio and Mississippi rivers to Keokuk, Iowa from which place they boarded their wagon again to their destination. Children: (1) Anderson Mitchell Vannoy, b. May 13, 1844; d. July 31, 1908; m. May 6, 1866 in Ashe Co., N. C., Adeline Miller. Raised family of eleven children; (2) Mary Ann Vannoy, m. George Bartlett McNiel; (3) Sarah Carolina Vannoy, d. 1873; m. Lafayette Eller; (4) George W. Vannoy, b. Nov. 13, 1850; d. Dec. 28, 1881; (5) Elza F. Vannoy; m. Mattie Melson; (6) Julia E. Vannoy, b. May 3, 1860; d. Jan. 27, 1938; m. George W. Davis. Family lived near Farson, Iowa; (7) Franky Matilda Vannoy, m. Samuel C. Woodruff; (8) Katherine Vannoy; m. Alexander Melson; (9) Jesse Absolom Vannoy, m. Emma Riley.

(10) Frances Susannah Vannoy[6], b. Apr. 10, 1819; d. in infancy.

(11) Andrew Jackson Vannoy[6], b. Mar. 27, 1821; m. Sally Reeves. Resided in Ashe Co. N. C.

(12) Mary Caroline Vannoy[6], b. Feb. 18, 1823 at parents Lewis Fork farm in Wilkes Co., N. C.; d. Jan. 19, 1904 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Delos Davis in Wapello Co., Iowa; m. Nov. 25, 1841 in Wilkes Co., N. C. Harvey Eller, b. Mar. 24, 1819; d. Nov. 3, 1906 in Wapello Co., Iowa. (See Eller Family herewith.) She received but scant schooling in the schools of her neighborhood but by self teaching she acquired an education well above the average of her neighborhood. How she did it with all her other duties required to raise a family of fifteen children and give each a good education for the time and place is difficult to understand. She was a member of the Baptist Church and brought its teachings into her home where each day and every meal was begun with prayer and where the last act of each day was a bedside prayer. The writer of her obituary in the Hedrick (Iowa) Journal said this of her, "The death of Mrs. Eller removed from this community one of the saints of this earth. Nothing that the Journal can say will add to the reputation of this good woman. She spent her long life in good works and has passed to her reward wrapped in a mantel of faith." (See Eller Family for her children.)

(13) Franky Matilda Vannoy[6], b. Sept. 28, 1825; d. 1902; m. Nov. 6, 1844, Alfred McNiel. (See McNiel Family herewith.)

(14) Anderson Vannoy[6], b. Apr. 23, 1829; d. 1862 at Winchester, Va. after being wounded at South Mountain. He was a soldier of the Confederacy.

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